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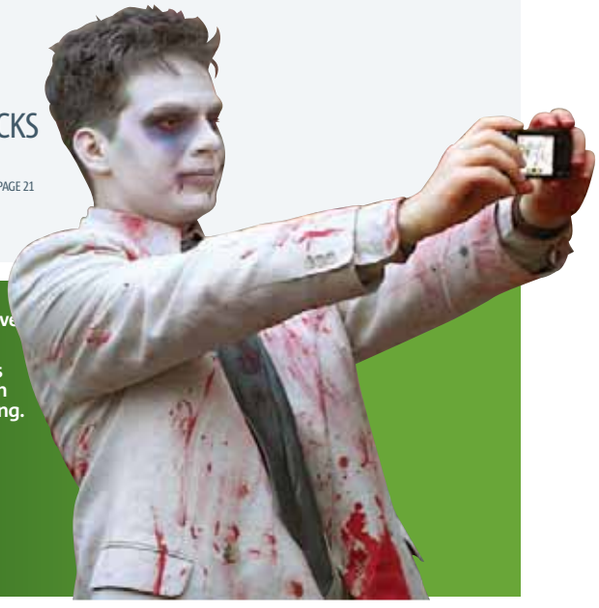

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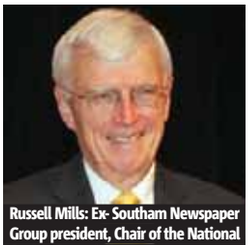
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Mayor Jim Watson inducted 15 of Ottawa's most outstanding residents into the Order of Ottawa during a ceremony Thursday evening at city hall and recognized one outstanding coach with the Brian Kilrea Award. "Through their professional contributions they have not only made Ottawa a great place to live, but they also represent how one person's actions can make a difference in the lives of others and their community," said Watson. ALL PHOTOS COURTESY MIKE CARROCCETTO, EXCEPT JOHN BELL, HANDOUT.

Cop stats don't add up: lawyer

OPS. Use of force instances hovering around 500 annually for seven years

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Some Ottawa defence lawyers are scratching their heads at what appear to be remarkably low instances of police using force.

According to Ottawa Police Services, of the 390,558 calls for service in 2011, only 497 required a report on the use of force. That's about 0.001 per cent.

Edmonton, which has a comparable population, had 1,969 incidents of force being used in 2011 — although direct comparisons between forces are difficult due to varied reporting techniques.

"When you look at the 'physical control' category ... there's 42," said Michael Spratt, an Ottawa-based defence lawyer. "I find it shocking and hard to believe that there's only 42 instances of those types of interactions in the last year."

Spratt said in his practice alone, he's dealt with about 40 cases involving that kind of force being employed by police.

Under provincial law, police are required to fill out use of force reports whenever a handgun is drawn, pointed or discharged, whenever a weapon is used, and whenever hand-to-hand altercations result in injury that requires medical attention.

Supt. Scott Nystedt, who oversees the force's reporting on force, said a reason the numbers may seem low is that a use of force report isn't necessarily filled out for every physical interaction with police.

"If I arrest you and put you up against the wall and put handcuffs on you and put you in my car, that's not reported as use of force," said Nystedt Thursday.

But defence lawyer Lawrence Greenspon said that's in no way reflective of what's happening on the streets.

"You have to look at who is doing the reporting," Greenspon said.

"In my opinion, it's an under representation of the officers' forceful contact with the civilians," Spratt said.

Oversight

- It's up to individual supervisors in the OPS to ensure officers fill out use of force reports as required, according to Supt. Scott Nystedt. There's no oversight beyond that.

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'An error'

Simoes' appeal to challenge Crown's evidence

Now that she is out and her appeal has been filed all Marisol Simoes can do is wait.

Her appeal alleges that Justice Lahaie erred in finding an email sent to the plaintiff's employer matched the writing style of the accused in an Internet posting presumed to be authored by her, according to court documents.

The appeal also argues no expert was called in by the Crown to assess Simoes' writing style.

"It was an error in law to have made such a comparison in the absence of any expert evidence on the issue," Simoes' lawyer Sean May argued in the appeal document.

The appeal also challenges evidence from a technician from Bell Canada, who testified that the IP address used to create a fake online dating profile of Katz is the same one registered to Simoes' home.

Simoes' trial lawyer Henry Burr argued his client's computer could be accessed remotely and the home router was unsecured.

With regard to motive, the appeal said, "the trial judge failed to consider other restaurant employees who would have had similar access and motive as the Appellant."

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Marisol Simoes is seen in this undated family photo at Mambo restaurant, which she co-owns with her husband, Zadek Ramowski. Simoes is appealing a criminal libel conviction. CONTRIBUTED

'It's been a very one-sided story'

Court. Woman challenging criminal libel conviction tells her side of the story

A ByWard Market restaurateur at the centre of a defamatory libel trial, who was released on bail Tuesday, said every story has two sides and is anxious to tell hers to the court.

Marisol Simoes told Metro Thursday the trial was the toughest thing she's ever been through in her life, which was compounded by the fact that she never testified in her own defence.

"It's been a very one-sided story, hasn't it?" said Simoes, who went to jail Nov. 16.

Simoes was found guilty Sept. 6 of the rarely used charge of defamatory libel by Justice Diane Lahaie, who ruled the restaurateur was the one who sent a lewd email to a customer's employer and set up a fake online dating profile in the name of Elayna Katz after she left a pair of negative reviews of Mambo Nuevo Latino on May 28, 2009.

Simoes says she is choosing to wait to disclose her version of events on advice from her lawyer Sean May, who filed an appeal.

Now she says she is focused on being with her husband and her three kids, aged three, eight and 10.

When asked if she has any regrets, she said she wished her trial lawyer Henry Burr had handled the case differently.

"I think we presented a very weak case. There were a lot of things that should have been explored," she said.

Her two restaurants, Mambo and Kinki, have taken a hit from the negative media attention, she said, and feels she has been misrepresented in the media.

"People are posting commentaries on social media, they're sending emails, they're calling. They are doing exactly that which I've been accused of," said Simoes. "It's really ironic that they're attacking me now in the same manner."

Simoes said she was shocked when Justice Diane Lahaie handed her a 90-day jail sentence on Nov. 16.

In her ruling, Lahaie said Simoes' actions were "akin to cyberbullying to deliberately harm (Katz's) reputation."

Simoes agreed the trial tells a cautionary tale about the dangers of the Internet, but thinks it's wrong that some have likened her case to that of bullied teen Amanda Todd.

"That's totally the biggest reach," she said.

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Hempology movement aims to nationalize with Ottawa convention

Pot. Tokers may be the only takers at upcoming Cannabis Convention looking at marijuana laws, medical uses and the history of the plant

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Pot activist Ted Smith's attempt to nationalize the Hempology movement may be stalled when he brings his Cannabis Convention to Ottawa on Sunday.

Smith, author of Hempology 101, began his conventions in B.C., where he gives public lectures at the University of Victoria.

Smith said he wanted to hold the conference at Carleton University, but was unable to co-ordinate with the Ontario Public Research Interest Group (OPIRG) at the university.

"It was quite frustrating that none of them were willing to help us get hempology up and running," said Smith. "Unfortunately, they may have the perception that I'm out trying to sell the book and they don't want to have their club used for some kind of commercial endeavour."

Yafa Jarrar, volunteer, outreach, and programing coordinator at OPIRG Carleton, said the group is not opposed to the convention, but could not host it due to time and capacity restrictions.

"When we get a request like this, we try to partner that event with one of our working groups, and none of them at this point do similar work or have the capacity to take this one on," said Jarrar. She added OPIRG Carleton may establish a Hempology chapter if it fits with the group's mandate and commitment to social justice.

Smith wrote in an email that he was so frustrated with OPIRG Carleton's response that he booked the convention at the public library without trying to contact groups at the University of Ottawa. He said plans to host a convention at the University of Toronto similarly fell through.

Adam Greenblatt from the Canadian Association of Medical Cannabis Dispensaries said many activists turn conventions like this into a one-man shows.

"I think any publicity at any event you do is good for getting the message out, but in reality I think it's going to be a big choir-preach," said Greenblatt, who will speak at the convention.

While members of the public expressed interest in the convention to Metro, the event appeared not to be on the radar of officials.

Ottawa Police Services representatives and Ottawa MPs Paul Dewar, Mauril Bélanger, David McGuinty, and Royal Galipeau will not attend the convention.

John Baird, MP for Ottawa West-Nepean, did not respond to inquiries about whether he would attend.

Hempology founder Ted Smith walks down Blanchard Street in Victoria with Herb, the Hempology mascot behind him on International Medical Marijuana Day Nov. 15, 2009. JIMMY NGUYEN HOÀNG DUY/CONTRIBUTED

Cannibis laws flawed, based on prejudice: Lawyer

Ottawa lawyer Eugene Oscapella will be giving a presentation at this Sunday's cannabis convention about why he thinks there should be changes made to Canada's cannabis policy.

"The policies and laws we've had to deal with cannabis in the past hundred years have been seriously flawed and have caused tremendous harm to users, their families, their communities and society in general," said Oscapella.

Oscapella added the prohibition of cannabis has created a black market that is a major source of income for organized crime in Canada. He also said pot laws have imposed unwarranted criminal records on Canadians, who have difficulty working and travelling as a result.

"We have demonized some drugs and lionized others," said Oscapella. "We are much less critical of alcohol despite the damage it causes."

Oscapella said the prohibition of cannabis in 1923 was not based on scientific evidence, but on inaccurate information, prejudice, and racial stereotypes.

"If there is a problem with cannabis, we can deal with it quite adequately through the health and social systems. We don't need to deal with the criminal justice system," said Oscapella. "If you do harm to somebody under the influence, that's another issue."

Oscapella said the government is ignoring evidence from a 2011 report by the Global Commission on Drug Policy that says the current system of using criminal law to deal with drugs in society is flawed. The commission sent an open letter to the Canadian government in February, asking it to reconsider mandatory jail sentences for minor cannabis-related offences under Bill C-10.

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Eugene Oscapella CONTRIBUTED

On the street

"I don't think it should be legalized so teenagers can get their hands on it," said Moore. "I definitely don't want my teenager at it. I think I would be quite upset if she were to start that, because once you start at that habit, it's addictive."

Anna Moore, 49, Ottawa

"Maybe since (Washington and Colorado) passed those (pot legalization referenda) it will eventually bleed over to Canada."

Brandon Walsh, 25, Ottawa

"Most people who use it go through a phase in high school or afterwards and naturally come out of it as they mature. By putting people in jail for that, all you do is further criminalize them and make the problem worse."

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Teachers' strike.
Contract deal could take days to approve

Ontario's Education Minister Laurel Broten praised a tentative agreement reached Thursday morning between a local high school teachers' union and the city's school board that put an end to two weeks of ramped-up strike action.

"As the recent tentative agreements with OSSTF and local school boards demonstrate, reaching agreements locally is possible," she wrote in an email.

The teachers have been on a work-to-rule strike since September that cut out extracurricular activities such as sports teams, but took further action last Monday after talks broke down with the province.

Broten said it may be a couple of days before she is able to give the agreement the go-ahead since other similar agreements from across the province are still pending.

The deal was sent to her office Thursday morning.

Under the act, also known as Bill 115, any deal struck must match the parameters of one made with the Catholic school board teachers' union in July.

These parameters include a two-year wage freeze, eliminating sick-day credits that teachers can cash out at the end of their careers, and a two-year ban on strikes.

"These tentative agreements show what's possible," Broten said, "when we continue to work with our partners to find solutions that put students first."

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"I look forward to receiving the agreement and to reviewing it as soon as possible to confirm that it is workable within the scope of the substantively identical test under the Putting Students First Act."

Laurel Broten,
Ontario Education Minister

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Pride and Prejudice's Mr. Darcy (Tyrell Crews), left, complains to his friend Mr. Bingley (Brendan McMurtry-Howlett) about how plain the women of the Bennet household appear. The new stage production premieres this week at the NAC. GRAHAM LANKTREE/METRO

A novel take on a classic love story

Pride and Prejudice.
Adaptation of classic novel makes debut at NAC this week

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A new stage production of Jane Austen's classic novel Pride and Prejudice is bringing more love to the world, said its director after the debut at the National Arts Centre Wednesday.

"We can't recreate the beautiful movies on stage," said director Dennis Garnhum.

"So it's a very pretty, abstract production. It's like the Austen book exploded," he said of the set of paper flowers and large pages that look as though they've been torn from a book.

Leading up to the Christmas season, the NAC is staging the novel adaptation from Nov. 21 to Dec. 9. "The challenge is to make it fresh," Garnhum said.

Even though the audience knows the lines between stubborn lovers Elizabeth Bennet and the irascible Mr. Darcy, "we wait and we wonder if tonight it's going to happen."

Tickets start at $30.

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"We all need a reminder of the first time we fell in love." Director Dennis Garnhum

Freshman 15

Research busts weight-gain myth

Students worried about gaining the Freshman 15 may have nothing to fear. Twenty-four studies involving 3,000 students found they gain between two and six pounds during their first year at college or university. METRO

Uncertainty swirls over dome

Everyone involved with the Coliseum indoor soccer dome was surprised by the city's decision to terminate contract negotiations, including the city.

Thousands of indoor soccer players may be out a pitch unless the two sides can smooth over a deal to relocate the dome from Lansdowne Park to the University of Ottawa.

News that the city had terminated negotiations with Coliseum broke after the co-owner, Ian Martin, posted a message on the company's website offering teams refunds for the 2012-2013 season.

But the municipality's solicitor, Rick O'Connor, said even though the Coliseum missed a Nov. 21 deadline to respond to their final offer, the city has not formally ceased negotiations with the sports dome.

O'Connor said the city was attempting to get back in contact with the Coliseum's lawyers. ALEX BOUTILIER/METRO

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Mother seeking acorn-tree removal drops request

Cyber-bullying. Donna Giustizia has received 'hate-filled sentiments' after concern over trees lining playground

A mother who sought to have oak trees uprooted and replanted far away from her children's Toronto-area school due to concern over acorn allergies says fierce public reaction and "cyber-bullying" has led her to drop her request.

Donna Giustizia asked city councillors in Vaughan, Ont., earlier this month to move the three trees out of fear their nuts could trigger allergic reactions in her two children and others at the elementary school's playground.

But in a letter emailed to councillors Tuesday, Giustizia withdrew the request, taking a dig at the media for what she called "sensational" reporting on her council appearance.

Donna Giustizia
HANDOUT/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Giustizia's letter says her family has been targeted by cyber-bullying over her "friendly request" to have council think about moving the trees somewhere else.

She says the fierce reaction is unfair since in a "free, civilized society" citizens should be able to sound off to their elected officials without fear of personal attacks.

Stories on Giustizia's request were published around the world and spurred acid-tongued comments on online message boards, while experts insisted the allergy risk was minimal.

The school itself has a nut-free policy for the indoor areas, but the three oak trees line the playground, dropping their acorns in the play area.

"It is most unfortunate that the media, in reporting the story, chose to sensationalize the news, and has carelessly and cavalierly hurt those who we were trying to protect," she wrote in the letter. THE CANADIAN PRESS

It's good! GG set for Grey Cup kickoff

Gov. Gen. David Johnston practices kicking a football on the grounds of Rideau Hall, the official residence of the Governor General, in Ottawa, Thursday. Johnston was getting ready for the Grey Cup kickoff this Sunday.

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Pre-emptive strike. Tories target Trudeau as poll suggests growing favour

Conservatives have launched their first concerted attack on Justin Trudeau — and a new poll may explain why.

The Canadian Press Harris-Decima survey suggests the Liberal leadership front-runner's popularity is not the fleeting celebrity phenomenon that the skeptics had assumed.

It's actually increasing and has the potential to siphon off votes from all parties, including the Tories.

Forty-two per cent of respondents said they'd be certain or likely to vote Liberal in the next election if Trudeau was at the helm — enough to form a comfortable Liberal majority government.

The poll was released Thursday just as the Conservatives pounced on a two-year-old television interview to accuse Trudeau of being anti-Alberta.

In the interview with the Tele-Quebec program Les francs-tireurs, Trudeau said: "Canada isn't doing well right now because it's Albertans who control our community and socio-democratic agenda. It doesn't work."

Trudeau's campaign swiftly issued a statement accusing the Tories of using "out-of-context statements made years ago in a long interview" to launch a desperate "smear campaign" aimed at reviving the faltering Conservative by-election campaign in Calgary Centre.

Justin Trudeau GETTY IMAGES FILE

The resurrected Trudeau quotes piled on a gaffe a day earlier by Ottawa Liberal MP David McGuinty. He resigned his shadow-cabinet post as natural-resources critic after saying Alberta Tory MPs are "shills" for the oil industry and should go home.

Both were gifts to the Conservatives, who are trying to hold on to Calgary Centre — a Tory riding for more than 40 years — in a byelection Monday. Polls suggest it's a tight contest, with Liberal Harvey Locke only a few points behind Conservative Joan Crockatt.

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Closing offices

Bell cutting 90 Ontario jobs

Bell Canada is cutting 90 clerical and sales staff in Ontario as it closes offices and consolidates others, the union representing the workers says. The Communications, Energy and Paperworkers Union said Thursday another 80 employees will also be affected by the consolidation and movement of work and may have to move to keep their jobs. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Funding required

Cities headed for 'infrastructure cliff': Mulcair

Tom Mulcair says Canada's municipalities are heading for an "infrastructure cliff" unless the federal government commits to long-term, stable funding to repair crumbling roads, and water and sewer systems.

And the NDP leader says that commitment must be made in the next budget in 2013, since the current Building Canada Fund is set to expire the following year.

The fund, launched in 2007, has pumped some $33 billion into municipal infrastructure projects.

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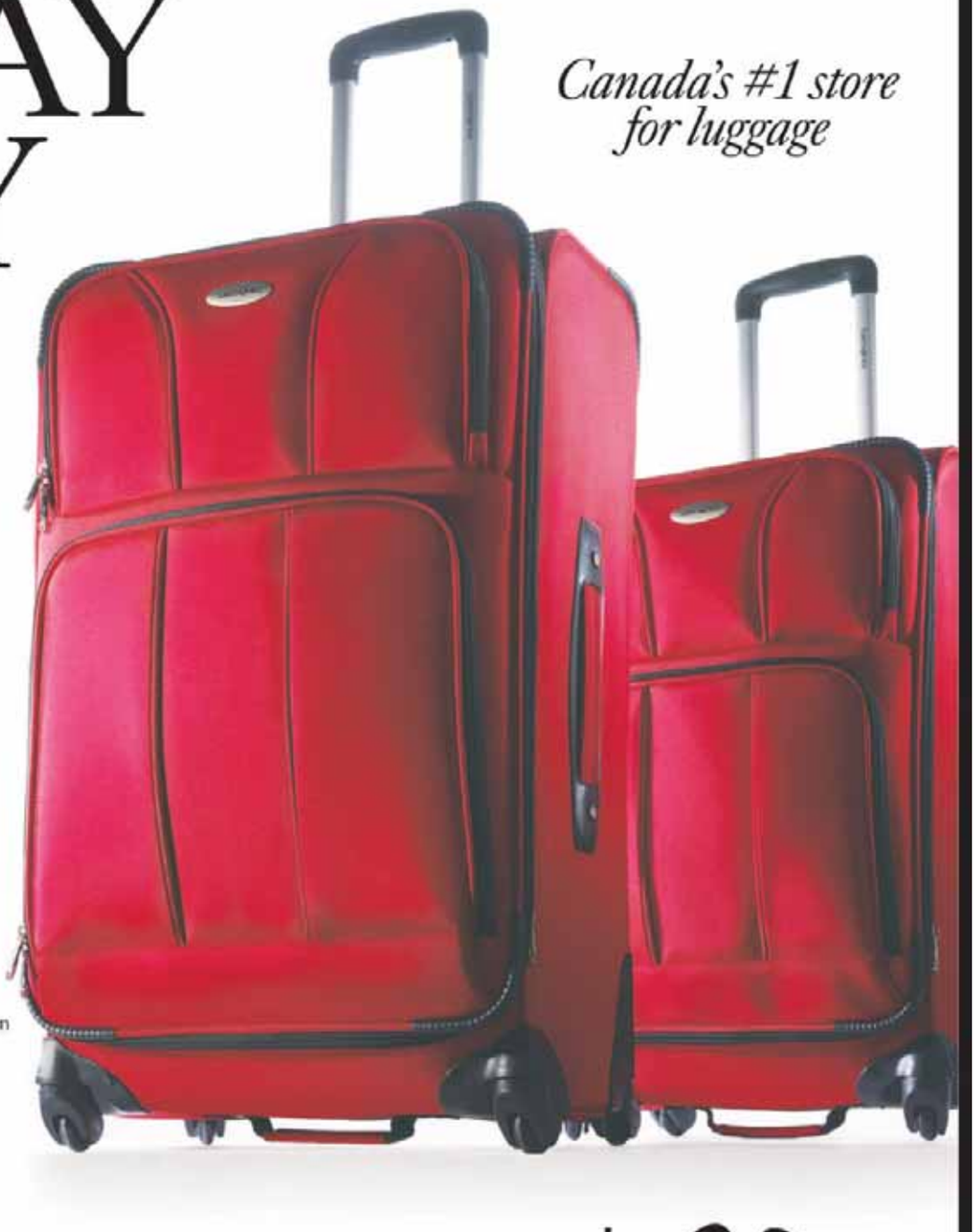

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Phone hacking. British media set to face the music

It's judgment day for Britain's press.

After nearly 18 months of damaging revelations about widespread media misconduct, the senior judge tapped to investigate the ethics and practices of some of the English-speaking world's most powerful newspapers will deliver his verdict next Thursday.

Lord Justice Brian Leveson's inquiry was launched in response to the phone-hacking scandal at Rupert Murdoch's News of the World, where journalists routinely intercepted phone messages to obtain sensational stories and allegedly engaged in computer hacking and bribery, too.

Leveson's recommendations have been a matter of intense speculation since the inquiry was ordered by Prime Minister David Cameron in July 2011. Leveson could recommend new rules for journalists, suggest a new press watchdog or simply endorse the status quo.

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Government probe

A year's worth of hearings exposed a host of shady journalistic practices.

- Celebrities, crime victims and the falsely accused described feeling helpless as their privacy rights were ground to bits.

Italy

Journalists' union set for protest strike

The Italian journalists' union has announced a national strike Monday to protest a proposed law that maintains a Fascist-era provision for jail time for journalists convicted of libel while reducing penalties for their editors to fines.

The Senate will vote Monday on the measure, which would carry a penalty of up to one year in jail for journalists convicted of libel, while the editor in charge risks fines of $64,000.

Parliament took up the law after a rightist editor was given a 14-month sentence for libel. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

U.K. politician calling for new vote on women bishops

Rev. Kat Campion-Spall, an assistant curate at St. Mary's Church in Merton, southwest London, takes a break with her seven-week-old daughter, Iris, during a meeting of the General Synod of the Church of England on Tuesday. YUI MOK/GETTY IMAGES

Church of England. MPs push for action in wake of controversial vote by General Synod

The Church of England should hold another vote on women bishops as soon as possible, its representative in the House of Commons said Thursday, while some members suggested stripping the church of its exemption from sex-discrimination laws.

Legislation to permit women to become bishops was blocked in the church's governing General Synod on Tuesday, a result that has drawn harsh criticism in Parliament.

"This is not an issue which can in any way be parked for the next couple of years or so awaiting another round of synod elections," said Tony Baldry, a member of Parliament who is officially designated to speak for the church.

Church legislation to permit women to serve as bishops failed to win the necessary two-thirds majority among lay members of the General Synod. Church officials have said it could take five years to lay the ground for another vote, but Baldry said this should not be necessary.

The church has been unable to find a formula that meets the objections of traditionalists who believe only men can be priests and bishops, without at the same time offending women by restricting their authority and status as bishops.

Frank Field, a legislator and former member of the General Synod, introduced a bill on Thursday to strip the church of its exemption from sex-discrimination laws. More drastically, there has been talk of ending the church's status as the state church governed by the monarch.

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Quoted

"This is an issue that has to be resolved as soon as possible."

U.K. MP Tony Baldry on a recent decision by the Church of England to block women bishops.

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Home is where the highway is

People stand near a house which sits in the middle of a newly built road in Wenling city in east China's Zhejiang province Thursday. The house belongs to an elderly man, who refused to sign an agreement to allow his house to be demolished by the authorities, as the compensation offered to him was not enough, according to local media. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Dung discovery. Inspection uncovers two tons of pigeon droppings in church

A hatch on a Swedish church tower inadvertently left open for some three decades resulted in nearly two tonnes of pigeon droppings amassing in the tower.

The church's property manager says the layer of droppings was 30 centimetres deep when it was discovered during a May inspection of the Heliga Trefaldighets Kyrka in Gavle, 170 kilometres north of Stockholm.

Lennart Helzenius said on Thursday that church staff had been shocked by the sheer number of bags of excrement cleaners were removing from the tower. He says the droppings filled 80 bags in the first round of cleaning, and then just as many in the second round.

Helzenius says the hatch had probably been left open since the 1980s.

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Gaza crisis: Both sides claim victory

After 8 days fighting: 161 Palestinians killed, including 71 civilians; six Israelis killed including two soldiers and four civilians

Hamas leaders and thousands of flag-waving supporters declared victory over Israel on Gaza's first day of calm under an Egyptian-brokered truce Thursday, as Israeli officials flew to Cairo for talks on easing a blockade on the battered Palestinian territory.

Eight days of punishing Israeli airstrikes on Gaza and a barrage of Hamas rocket fire on Israel ended inconclusively. While Israel said it inflicted heavy damage on the militants, Gaza's Hamas rulers claimed that Israel's decision not to send in ground troops, as it had four years ago, was a sign of a new deterrent power.

The mood in Israel was mixed. Some were grateful that quiet had been restored without a ground operation that could have cost the lives of more soldiers. Others — particularly those in southern Israel hit by rockets over the past 13 years — thought the operation was abandoned too quickly.

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said the offensive's aims of halting Gaza rocket fire and weakening Hamas were achieved.

Despite the tough talk, the ceasefire raised hopes of a new era between Israel and Hamas. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Side effects

- The fighting brought the Islamists unprecedented political recognition, with foreign ministers from Turkey and several Arab states visiting — a sharp contrast to Hamas' past isolation.
- Israel and the United States, even while formally sticking to a policy of shunning Hamas, also acknowledged its central role by engaging in indirect negotiations with them.
- Egypt emerged as the pivotal mediator, raising its stature as a regional power.

An Israeli soldier guides a tank to a new position at a staging area near the Gaza Strip border in southern Israel Thursday. A ceasefire agreement between Israel and the Gaza Strip's Hamas rulers took effect Wednesday night, bringing an end to eight days of fierce fighting. LEFTERIS PITARAKIS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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B.C. judge spares man who culled sled dogs from serving jail time

Animal cruelty. Operator says he was forced to kill 56 dogs after company froze spending on care

A man who pleaded guilty to the slaughter of dozens of sled dogs will not spend time in prison, a judge has ruled, concluding the man had the "best interests" of the dogs at heart when he culled the pack near Whistler after a slump in business following the 2010 Olympics.

But while Judge Steve Merrick said he agreed with a psychiatrists' assessment that Robert Fawcett's actions were the result of mental instability, he noted: "(You) ought to have anticipated the possibility of the horrific circumstances that could result."

"It is beyond comprehension as to how this could have occurred," said Merrick.

The aftermath from the April 2010 killing was laid bare in B.C. Supreme Court for the first time Thursday by Fawcett's lawyer, who described how hard it was for his client to even listen to details of killing his beloved animals again.

"I will never stop feeling guilty for the suffering that the dogs endured that day," said defense lawyer Greg Diamond, quoting his client.

"I feel like part of me died with those dogs."

Fawcett admitted in August to killing the dogs following a post-Olympic slump in sales. Court heard he felt forced when the owners of Howling Dog Tours put an "absolute freeze" on spending, other than for food and the bare minimum of labour.

At that point, Fawcett was working 150 hours over two weeks to care for the animals and watching their conditions deteriorate to the point where they were fighting and killing each other in their kennel.

"In part, he accepted the burden because he felt he could do it compassionately and he did not want that burden placed on anyone else," Diamond said.

Fawcett pleaded guilty to one count of causing unnecessary pain and suffering to animals, which relates to the deaths of nine dogs. More than 50 dogs were exhumed from a mass grave in May 2011 as part of a forensic investigation by the B.C. SPCA. Court heard most of the dogs that were shot did not suffer.

Animal euthanasia is legal in Canada.

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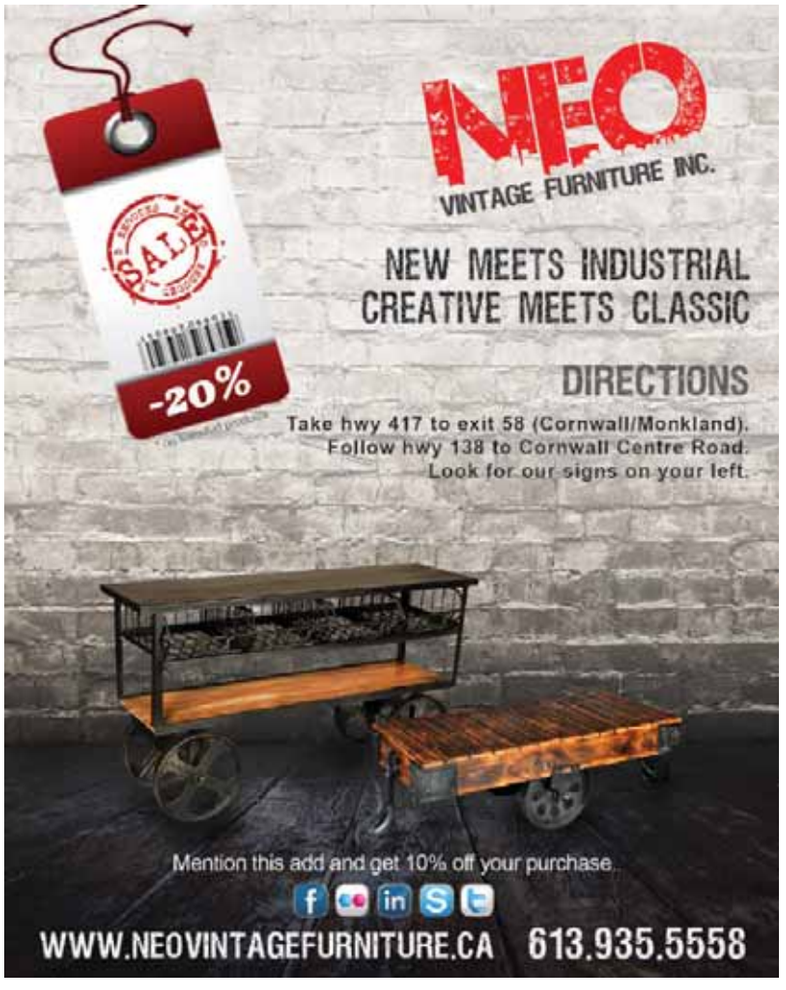
B.C. SPCA employees examine the mass grave. CONTRIBUTED/B.C. SPCA

Ingrid Katzberg attends the sentencing hearing for Robert Fawcett on Thursday. DARRYL DYCK/THE CANADIAN PRESS



Charter rights. Challenge to anti-terrorism tactics will see highest court

The Supreme Court of Canada will decide just how open the process should be when the federal government wants to deport a suspected terrorist from abroad.

The high court agreed Thursday to hear a challenge of the national security certificate system, a rarely used means of removing non-citizens accused of being terrorists or spies.

It will also review crucial issues related to evidence in the case of Algerian refugee Mohamed Harkat, arrested 10 years ago in Ottawa under a security certificate.

The hearing will come more than five years after the Conservative government retooled the certificate regime to make it consistent with the Charter of Rights and Freedoms. The Supreme Court will rule whether those reforms went far enough.

Harkat, 44, was taken into custody in December 2002 on suspicion of being an al-Qaida agent. He denies any involvement in terrorist activities.

Harkat lives at home but wears an electronic tracking bracelet on his ankle, must check in with authorities regularly and cannot leave town without permission.

The person named in a security certificate receives only a summary of the case against them — stripped of supporting information — which critics say makes the process wholly unfair.

The validity of a certificate must be weighed by a Federal Court judge, who is allowed to see the secret evidence, and Harkat's case has been tangled in various legal proceedings for almost a decade.

In April, the Federal Court of Appeal upheld the constitutionality of the security certificate system, but ruled that summaries of some 1990s conversations be excluded from evidence against Harkat because the original recordings were destroyed.

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Mohamed Harkat THE CANADIAN PRESS

Custody battle

Supreme Court won't hear 'fetus abduction' case

Canada's top court has declined to hear an appeal involving an Ontario woman's right to choose where to have her baby.

The case was prompted by a mother who left Canada when she was seven months pregnant. After the baby was born in California, the father started a custody battle in Ontario.

Initially, Ontario's Superior Court agreed the dispute should be heard, saying what the mother had done was tantamount to kidnapping.

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Multiple sclerosis

Tories shut down MS-therapy bill

The Conservatives have used their Senate majority to kill legislation that would have authorized a national strategy to deal with a controversial therapy for multiple sclerosis.

The bill would have required a national strategy and formal trials of what is known as liberation therapy, which involves opening up blocked neck veins.

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Crime. Indictment against wife of ex-Ivory Coast president unsealed

The International Criminal Court unsealed an indictment Thursday against former Ivory Coast President Laurent Gbagbo's wife on charges including murder, rape and persecution. It was the first time in the court's 10-year history it has charged a woman.

The world's first permanent war crimes tribunal said the arrest warrant was issued on Feb. 29 for former first lady Simone Gbagbo for crimes against humanity.

Her husband, Laurent Gbagbo, is already in custody at the court's detention unit in The Hague, Netherlands, facing similar charges stemming from his fight to retain power after losing a 2010 presidential election. If his wife is extradited, they could face justice together in an unprecedented husband-wife trial.

But a senior member of Ivory Coast President Alassane Ouattara's government, who requested anonymity because he wasn't authorized to speak to the media, said Ivory Coast has already informed the ICC that the nation will not let her go.

Quoted

"The type of crimes committed in the aftermath of the 2010 elections did not happen by chance — they were planned and co-ordinated at the highest political and military levels"

Fatou Bensouda, court's chief prosecutor

"We informed them of this a long time ago," he said.

The court's chief prosecutor, Fatou Bensouda, urged Ivory Coast to extradite Gbagbo.

"The type of crimes committed in the aftermath of the 2010 elections did not happen by chance — they were planned and co-ordinated at the highest political and military levels and all those bearing the greatest responsibility must be held to account," Bensouda said in a statement.

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Burkina Faso

Children freed in massive sweep

An international police operation has freed nearly 400 children from forced labour in Burkina Faso and arrested 73 people suspected of child trafficking or forced labour, Interpol announced Thursday.

It was a rare victory against forced child labour in West Africa, which has some of the world's highest poverty rates. Young boys are often sent to work as hired hands in other people's fields or are employed in the numerous mines that dot the countryside. Young girls are frequently sent to work as maids in the homes of the urban elite.

The Interpol-organized operation in Burkina Faso, carried out Oct. 29-30, targeted children sold and forced into labour by traffickers.

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A worker cuts a shark fin on June 12 at a fish market in Dubai. The global trade in shark fins totals hundreds of millions of dollars a year, and tens of millions of sharks around the world may be caught every year for their fins. The European Parliament voted to ban the practice of shark finning on Thursday. KAMRAN JEBREILI/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

EU Parliament votes to ban shark finning

Speciality. Practice stems from the high price the body parts fetch in China for shark-fin soup

The European Union took a major step to protect sharks on Thursday, banning the brutal practice of hacking off their fins before throwing them back into the sea to die.

The European Parliament voted by an overwhelming 566-47 margin to force all boats in EU waters and EU-registered vessels around the world to land sharks with their fins attached and prove the animal had not been thrown back finless.

The practice of shark finning stems from the high price the body parts fetch in China for shark-fin soup, a specialty at high-class banquets, and the low value of the rest of the body. The consumption of fins has risen as China's living standards have increased. Fins can sell for as much as $700 U.S. a pound.

The European Union has said that some 75 million sharks are killed for their fins only. Since the EU is the biggest exporter, the move should have a sizable impact on shark populations.

The International Union for the Conservation of Nature says that about one-third of sharks and rays are threatened both in EU waters and around the globe.

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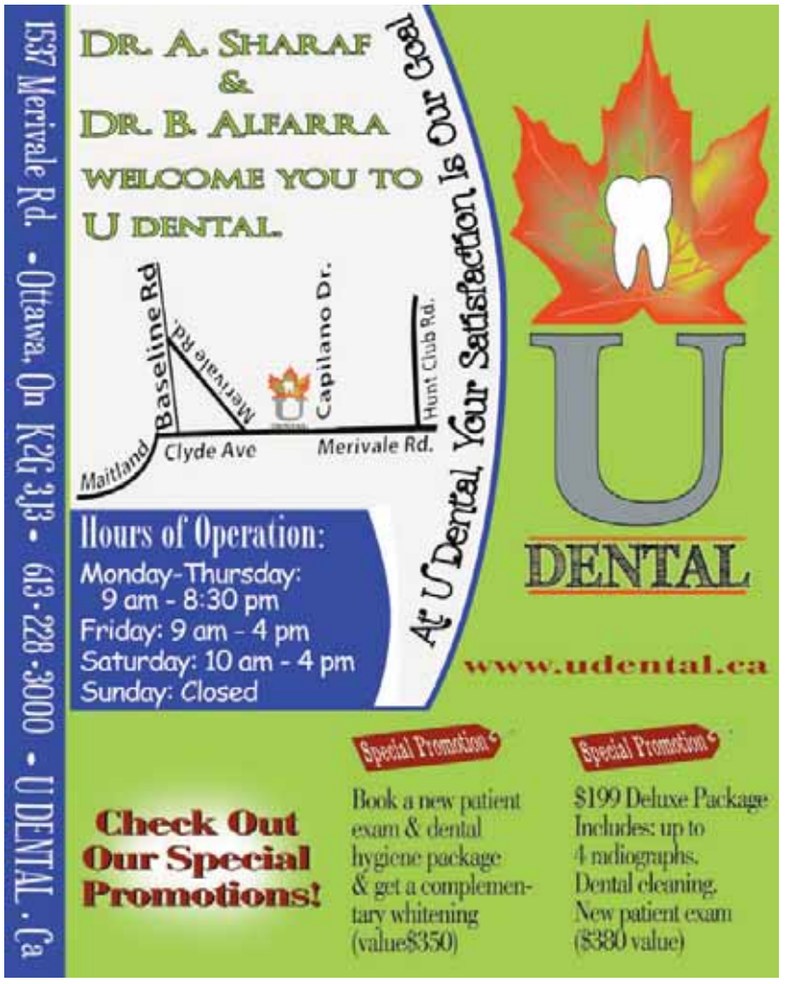
Conservation concerns

- Spain is the top fin exporter. The Oceana conservation group said the EU is the largest shark-fishing power in the world, with 17 per cent of reported shark catches, and the largest exporter of shark fins to Hong Kong and mainland China.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Enclosure escape

White tiger attacks zoo employees

A rare white tiger attacked three employees in a Czech zoo Thursday after escaping from its enclosure, officials said.

Lenka Markovicova, spokeswoman for the rescuers in the northern city of Liberec, said one man has been hospitalized with head injuries. She said he is not in life-threatening condition. Two women suffered minor injuries and were also taken to the local hospital for treatment.

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Not welcome. Chris Brown cancels Guyana concert over protests

Organizers say American R&B star Chris Brown has cancelled a stadium concert in Guyana after local protests over his 2009 beating of then-girlfriend Rihanna.

Brown was billed to headline a Dec. 26 show. But he drew the ire of women's-rights groups and opposition lawmakers who said Brown would not be welcome in Guyana three years after his assault of the Barbadian superstar.

Concert promoter Hits & Jams Entertainment said Thursday that Brown backed out, citing discomfort with the protests. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Singer Chris Brown has cancelled a stadium concert in Guyana after local protests over his 2009 beating of then-girlfriend Rihanna. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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RIM. Shares jump 17%, but analysts stay cautious

Shares in Research In Motion spiked dramatically Thursday after days of steady gains, but analysts were still guarded about the potential success of the BlackBerry maker's new operating system.

On a day when the U.S. markets were closed, shares in Research In Motion surged 17.3 per cent to close at $12, up $1.77, its best performance in months on the Toronto Stock Exchange.

Telecom analyst Troy Crandall predicted, however, that the BlackBerry 10 operating system has only a small probability of successfully taking consumers away from Apple and Android devices when it's released in early 2013.

"It's not that we're super hopeful that this is going to work out," said Crandall, of MacDougall, MacDougall & MacTier. "There is hope being built in that there's a chance it could work out."

RIM's new BlackBerry 10 operating system — which will be unveiled at a Jan. 30 event along with its new line of smartphones — is widely considered a make or break product launch for the Waterloo, Ont., smartphone maker.

Crandall said he doesn't consider it normal that shares in Research In Motion surged 17 per cent in a single day.

"Stocks should not have this type of volatility unless there's something extraordinary going on below the surface," he said.

"I think that's really what you're getting and a lot of that is coming from the short selling and it's magnified by the fact that the U.S. markets are closed." THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Telecom analyst Troy Crandall, on the odds of BB10 luring consumers away from competing devices

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Beker injects some attitude into plus-size clothing

Retail. Fashion guru's capsule collection for Addition Elle aims to fill gap in market

Jeanne Beker, left, and a model wearing items from the Edit by Jeanne Beker for Addition Elle capsule collection, which will arrive in stores next April. ADDITION ELLE/THE CANADIAN PRESS

With a sister and childhood friend who are both plus-sized, the lament about a lack of stylish options for full-figured women was one Jeanne Beker has heard plenty.

"My whole life growing up I heard those kinds of complaints and the kinds of frustration that they were going through," the longtime fashion and media maven said in an interview.

"Everything just seemed so 'missy,' or people were complaining about the kinds of prints that they were being offered, and they weren't being offered a lot of that same attitude that we saw in the regular-sized lines. Now, it's all coming together."

Beker will be putting her own sartorial stamp on fashions for fuller-figured women through a partnership with Addition Elle.

The Metro columnist and Fashion Television Channel host teamed up with the retailer on a plus-size capsule collection. The collaboration will bring extended sizing of the Edit by Jeanne Beker line to Addition Elle stores starting next spring.

Edit by Jeanne Beker launched at the Bay in 2010, a line she envisioned as essentials to be mixed and matched and serve as the "bare bones" of a woman's wardrobe.

Beker said about two seasons into the creation of Edit, they made a foray into the plus-size market. While some of the pieces "would just fly off the rack," she said others weren't resonating to the same degree.

"We started thinking: 'You know, what are we doing wrong?' because the regular-sized line is doing so well.... And what we realized was that some pieces just don't translate." THE CANADIAN PRESS

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"There really has been a void in the (plus-size) market, I think, for clothes that just were sophisticated in a sense, but with a hip kind of maybe edge to them — like a kind of attitude we weren't seeing." Jeanne Beker

Collection

- The 19-piece capsule collection will feature fashions ranging in size from 14 to 24 with items priced between $69.99 and $139.99. It will arrive at 50 Addition Elle stores across Canada next April.

Canadian homes slightly more affordable in third quarter

A decline in home prices and an increase in household incomes made home ownership more affordable in the third quarter, according to RBC. GETTY IMAGES

The cost of home ownership became more affordable in the most recent quarter due to a modest decline in home prices and gains in Canadian household incomes, according to a Royal Bank study.

RBC's affordability index for a detached bungalow stood at 42 per cent of income nationally in the third quarter.

That means an owner would need to spend 42 per cent of pre-tax annual income to pay for mortgage payments, utilities and property taxes — one percentage point lower than in the second quarter of 2012.

That assumes an average home price of $362,100 and an average qualifying income of $78,100, but those measures varied widely from market to market.

The index fell even more for two-storey homes, by 1.2 percentage points to 47.8 per cent and eased 0.6 percentage points to 28 per cent for condos.

"The costs of owning a home at current market prices took a smaller bite of household budget in all major markets in Canada in the third quarter of 2012," the report said.

Mortgage rules

- RBC notes that Canada's housing market cooled further in the third quarter partially because of the effects of a fourth round of rule changes to government-backed mortgage insurance.

The bank, which publishes the index on a quarterly basis, says ultra-low interest rates have been the key factor in keeping affordability levels from reaching dangerous levels in recent years.

Still, top government officials have warned that low interest rates are encouraging some buyers to spend beyond what they'll be able to afford when rates inevitably rise. Household debt stands at a record 163 per cent of income. That means for every dollar Canadians earn, they owe $1.63 in debt.

Despite the recent improvement in affordability, RBC said the amount of income to service home ownership costs continues to be higher than long-term averages. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Supreme Court ruling

Pfizer reduces price of Viagra

Pfizer Canada is cutting the price of Viagra, bringing the cost in line with generic versions of the erectile dysfunction drug.

The price drop follows a ruling from the Supreme Court of Canada earlier this month that invalidated the Viagra patent held by the pharmaceutical giant.

For a package of four Viagra pills, with each pill at 100 milligrams, the new price is about $37, said a spokeswoman. The price had been about $49. The new prices are now in effect, she added.

The Nov. 8 unanimous ruling by the high court threw open Canada's market for generic erectile dysfunction drugs, saying Pfizer tried to "game" the Canadian system. THE CANADIAN PRESS

StatsCan figures

Retail sales rise for third straight month

Statistics Canada reported retail sales edged up in September, helped by improved sales of new cars, but fell short of expectations amid increasing signs of economic uncertainty.

Sales were up 0.1 per cent to $39.1 billion in September, the third straight monthly increase, but well short of the 0.5 per cent consensus expectations of economists.

"Indeed, sales growth has now cooled to a humble 1.8 per cent year-over-year as Canadian retailers face some stiff challenges," BMO Capital Markets economist Robert Kavcic wrote in a note to clients. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Quebec railcar plant

Bombardier set for prolonged strike

Bombardier is bracing for what could be a lengthy strike at its Quebec railcar-assembly plant after workers rejected what the company characterized as a generous offer that raises wages and pension benefits and contained a commitment to invest in new technology.

"Don't worry, we've got our contingency plans and we could go a long way," company spokesman Marc Laforge said Thursday, hours after union members massively rejected Bombardier's "final" contract offer.

He said the company has a long-term vision for the plant and has no immediate plans to transfer work to its other facilities in Thunder Bay, Ont., Plattsburgh, N.Y. and Mexico. THE CANADIAN PRESS

GREY CUP KICKS OFF, TWINKIE DEMISE MAY BE INTERCEPTED

THE LIST
Mike Benhaim
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1 **Snack attack:** Newly defunct Hostess Brands Inc., which brought you Twinkies and Ding Dongs, is liquidating its assets. Major competitor Flower Foods saw its stock rise amid rumours it may acquire parts of Hostess's business. They are especially optimistic about states with legalized marijuana.

2 **Stay tuned:** The CBC has asked the CRTC to ease regulations so it can respond to changing technological demands. Details of the proposal were missed by CRTC members struggling to adjust the coat hangers on their antennae.

3 **Quantum leap:** Astronomers have discovered a new planet thought to be 13 times larger than Jupiter, and 2.5 times the mass of the sun. So my question is, how did we miss this? Thank you for making my fourth-grade science teacher look like a putz.

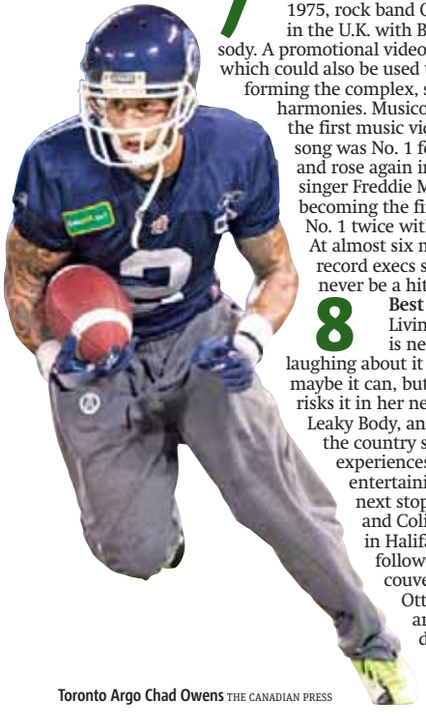
4 **Swift reaction:** Apparently, Taylor Swift was not amused by jokes of her breakup at the CMAs, marking the point that comes for all celebrities when they begin taking themselves too seriously. Imagine joking publicly about a song that's based on her private relationship and that, over the last three months, has been played more than the national anthem. Well, I never, ever, ever ...

5 **Love hurts.** Last July in Florida, a 72-year-old husband was stabbed in the arm by his 27-year-old wife after he accused her of cheating (you don't say). Now separated, Brygida Scheffler told police she's seen her ex drive by her home, and believes he is stalking her. Maciej Nowicki says he did not "intentionally" follow her. He probably just forgot where he lived ... and that she stabbed him!

6 **100th Grey Cup.** The Toronto Argos play host to the Calgary Stampeders on Sunday, and people from coast to coast are pumped for this historic event. The game will feature performances by everyone from Burton Cummings and Gordon Lightfoot to Justin Bieber and Carly Rae Jepsen. The only drawback is that we'll have to hear Call Me Maybe one more freakin' time.

7 **We Will Rock You.** This week in 1975, rock band Queen was No. 1 in the U.K. with Bohemian Rhapsody. A promotional video was released, which could also be used to avoid performing the complex, studio-perfected harmonies. Musicologists call this the first music video ever. The song was No. 1 for nine weeks, and rose again in 1991 after singer Freddie Mercury died, becoming the first song to make No. 1 twice with one version. At almost six minutes long, record execs said it would never be a hit.

8 **Best medicine.** Living with illness is never fun, but laughing about it can't hurt. Well, maybe it can, but Julie Devaney risks it in her new book, My Leaky Body, and she is touring the country sharing her experiences in the most entertaining way. Her next stop is the Crohn's and Colitis symposium in Halifax on Sunday, followed by Vancouver, Winnipeg, Ottawa, Kingston and Montreal. For details, check out myleakybody.com.



Toronto Argo Chad Owens THE CANADIAN PRESS

OK, computer, say hello to 2012

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Digital devices

Fossilized hardware resuscitated

The world's oldest original working digital computer has been rebooted after lying forgotten in storage for 20 years.

The 61-year-old Harwell Dekatron (a.k.a. Witch) computer has clattered back into action at The National Museum of Computing, based at Bletchley Park, Buckinghamshire, England, after a three-year restoration project. METRO

Number crunching

Designed to be reliable, but not fast

The machine — one of a dozen in the world — was first used in the 1950s at the Atomic Energy Research Establishment in Oxfordshire for mathematical modelling.

It has survived over the last six decades while its contemporaries have been recycled or destroyed. The computer took up to 10 seconds to multiply two numbers, but still mustered 80 hours of running time in a week. METRO

How they compare

	Witch (1951)	iPhone 5 (2012)
•	**Input.** Punched paper tape	Touchscreen
•	**Weight.** 2,540 kilograms	112 grams
•	**Size.** 2 m x 6 m x 1 m	12.4 cm x 5.9 cm x 0.8 cm
•	**Memory.** 7.2 KB	16 GB
•	**Speed.** 100 hertz	8 megahertz
•	**Control.** 18 switches	One button

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@nourwahabx: Who's down to go troll around Ottawa and look for @justinbieber

@SydneyGraceB: I feel like all the hot boys in Ottawa are out today. #nomnom #eyecandy

@Mcveigh_96: The fact that I forgot to bring my bathing suit to Ottawa <<< #damit #skinnydipping?

@nicolemaylor: I cannot express enough how weird Ottawa is. The girl doing my eyebrows was looking into my soul... #erkks

@RMaT08: Anyone wanna celebrate the USA thanksgiving here in #ottawa since I missed the canadian one? #truestory

@captainpearson: Heading to Ottawa next week. It's not terrible anymore right?

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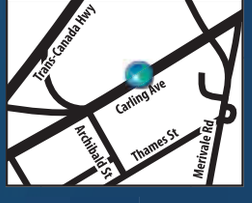

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Reel Guys

RICHARD CROUSE AND MARK BRESLIN

Films to occupy in the zombie off-season

Bye, bye brain eaters. With The Walking Dead season drawing to an end, the Reel Guys offer some undead suggestions

Richard: Mark, several episodes from this season's Walking Dead were among the best television of the year. It owes a HUGE debt to George A. Romero's classic Night of the Living Dead, but I still watch even though it gives me weird dreams every Sunday night. To calm my jangled nerves, I've been checking out zombie comedies like Shaun of the Dead and Cemetery Man. Everyone knows Shaun, but Cemetery's weird story is worth a look. Are you a zombie fan?

Mark: Depends on the zombie, Richard. I didn't get a chance to catch up with the Walking Dead series because I was too busy watching the brainwashed terrorist zombies in Homeland. A different kind of zombie, to be sure, but zombies all the same. I think the faster the zombies move, the more I like the movie. Those slow-walking, arms-outstretched flesh eaters aren't that different than most of the clubbers I see at closing time on Saturday nights. I've never seen Cemetery Man, but it looks interesting. Thanks for the tip.

RC: The whole slow-moving zombies versus fast-moving zombies debate is an argument for the ages. I guess I'm a traditionalist. I like the Romero zombie, the bumbling undead who mindlessly and relentlessly keep hunting for braaains. Dawn of the Dead, I Walked with a Zombie and Lucio Fulci's Zombi are masterpieces of the slow shuffle. You might like the remake of Dawn of the Dead. Man those zombies can run!

MB: I did like that one, along with Zombieland, Dead Snow (Nazi zombies, what's not to like?), and the zombie comedy (zomcom?) Fido starring Billy Connelly as a kindly zombie. But the big question in all the zombie films is: How do you get away from a zombie? Well, it seems that the meat that tastes closest to human flesh is pig! So I say, when confronted with a pack of zombies, let loose the porkers!

RC: Good advice. I'd add another zombie apocalypse tip I picked up from the movie Zombieland. You are at your most vulnerable while sitting on the toilet, so hold it as long as you can. Also, having a machine gun where your leg used to be, à la Rose McGowan in Planet Terror, can be very useful.

MB: I'm old school, Richard. I prefer having both legs to utilize the strategy of actually running away. And remember, when being chased by a zombie, you don't have to be the fastest runner, just faster than the guy behind you.

Synopsis

As The Walking Dead shambles toward its season finale in December, the Reel Guys suggest some infectious zombie movies to keep you entertained until the show lumbers back to air next year.

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Documentary

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In 1994, Nicholas Barclay, a 13-year-old boy from San Antonio, Texas went missing. Three years later, Frédéric Bourdin, a 23-year-old French man managed to convince U.S. officials and Nicholas's family that he was the missing teen. Director Bart Layton uses re-enactments, intimate interviews and archival footage to reconstruct this twisted story. Step-by-step, Bourdin recounts his impossible scheme with a sly, self-congratulatory air, and Nicholas's defeated family members relive every emotion.

REGAN REID

Documentary

How To Survive A Plague

Director. David France

Stars. Peter Staley, Larry Kramer

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The lack of government response to the AIDS crisis in the '80s remains an embarrassing reminder of the ignorance that surrounded the disease. How to Survive a Plague tells the story from the perspective of ACT UP, a grassroots group who slugged it out with everyone from New York City hospitals over admitting infected patients to the FDA over access to drugs. Assembled mostly from video footage shot at meetings and protests and news clips, the film paints a vivid picture of the time.

IAN GORMELY

Twilight's mysterious Volturi provide plenty of spinoff potential. HANDOUT

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Spinoff speculation. The last film in the series has hit theatres, and the Twilight team won't dismiss rumours of another installment

The thing about vampires is they live forever.

And so now that the blockbuster Twilight saga has unleashed its sprawling finale, it's only fitting that speculation runs rampant about a spinoff that could keep the franchise undead for a little while longer.

Vampire-playing cast mates Daniel Cudmore and Charlie Bewley sure don't mind stirring up rumours with their own suggestions of life after Breaking Dawn — Part 2, and not surprisingly it involves more adventures for their mysterious side characters.

"You do wonder what will happen once this is all said and done," says Bewley, who plays Demetri, a member of an ancient ruling clan known as the Volturi.

"(There are) lots of willing people ready to start new subsidiaries of this saga, so that's just down to Lionsgate/Summit, (author) Stephenie Meyer and whoever's in the reckoning."

Last weekend's blockbuster debut came with whispers of possible ways for the supernatural series to live on. Screenwriter Melissa Rosenberg stirred the pot last month with a Facebook poll asking which vampire clan should get a spinoff and stars Robert Pattinson and Taylor Lautner each said they'd be open to a followup. Meyer, meanwhile, has reportedly said she's got plenty of story ideas but dismissed notions anything solid is in the works.

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There's more than One Direction for a documentary filmmaker to take

Morgan Spurlock. Oscar-nominated filmmaker sparks discussion with his new boy-band based project

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Morgan Spurlock is embarking on a 3D film project with One Direction. GETTY IMAGES

Oscar-nominated documentary filmmaker Morgan Spurlock (Super Size Me) announced last week that he would be directing a 3D concert film about the hit British boy band One Direction for theatrical release next September, with American Idol and the X Factor mastermind Simon Cowell producing.

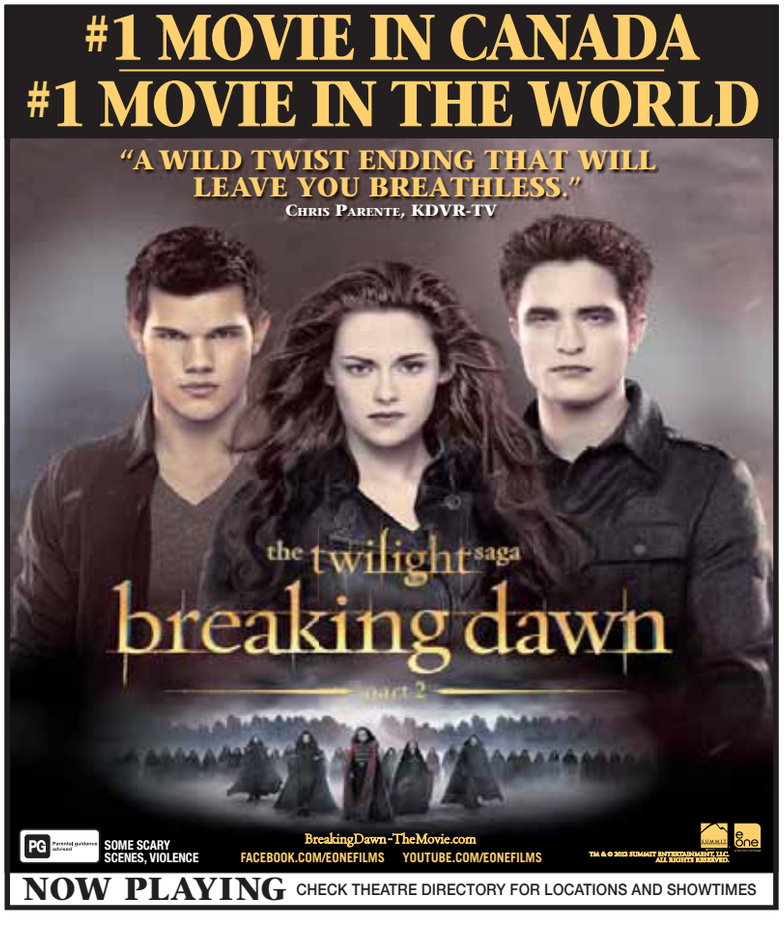
"This is an incredible opportunity and an amazing moment in time for the band," Spurlock says in a statement. "To capture this journey and share it with audiences around the world will be an epic undertaking that I am proud to be a part of."

What's perhaps most surprising about the news, though, is how often the project has been referred to as a documentary in the press. While the trend has been to incorporate more and more backstage and off-stage footage into concert films — as with last year's Justin Bieber film Never Say Never and Katy Perry's Part of Me earlier this year — do they really qualify as documentaries? Or does the label have to do more with Spurlock's involvement. We decided to check in with some experts.

Morgan Spurlock has gone from documenting fast food to fodder for boy band fans. GETTY IMAGES

"We have seen over time that the perceived definition of documentary film has radically changed. The one constant is that these films have continued to follow factual information about the subject they are documenting and that is important," Justin Krumb, director of the doc Minds in the Water, tells Metro. "So in the case of Spurlock's new project, I believe this a true documentary, in that sense of the word, but one that falls into a new subcategory that relates to the phenomenon of reality TV/celebrity power. What's missing that I'd love to see is how these films bring about social change. How they alter our feeling to go out and change the world in a positive way or call attention to an issue that needs to be addressed."

Some of Spurlock's colleagues are willing to wait and see how he fares with his new singing and dancing subjects before passing judgment. "I know a bit about the project and from what I understand I'm not sure it's a concert film at all," says Lucy Walker, an Oscar nominee herself for Waste Land and the Tsunami and the Cherry Blossom. "Why not let him explore all aspects of filmmaking and give him the benefit of the doubt until we've seen it?"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Movie makeup transformations

Critics love it when hot actors get by on more than their looks.

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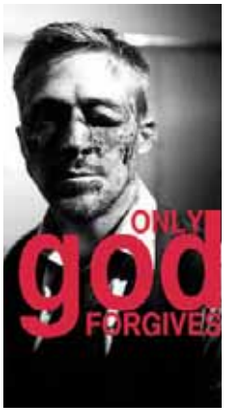
The movie poster for Only God Forgives is an enigma.

It's a headshot of Ryan Gosling, yet one that no starstruck teen would ever swoon over. His mug appears beaten to a pulp and his left eye is as swollen shut as it would be after a round in the Octagon with Georges St-Pierre. Can you smell an Oscar?

Critics can't get enough of attractive thespians getting beaten with the ugly stick for art's sake.

It certainly worked for these actors who garnered big-time kudos for keeping their good looks on the down low.



Rooney Mara

Girl with the Dragon Tattoo

Pre GWTDT Rooney was a fresh-face with an alluring yet ubiquitous girl-next-door vibe. Dodging Freddie Krueger in the Nightmare on Elm Street remake and tearing Mark Zuckerberg a new one in The Social Network as the future Facebook billionaire's soon to be ex-girlfriend, she didn't exactly spellbind.

Then Mara chopped off her locks and transformed from a generic Hollywood hottie into an androgynous goth hacker with bleached eyebrows and piercings aplenty — a brunette version of Die Antwoord's Yolandi Visser. Suddenly we couldn't take our eyes off of her.

CASHING IN: NOMINATED FOR AN OSCAR, GOLDEN GLOBE AND MTV MOVIE AWARD.

Felicity Huffman

Transamerica

Huffman had already scored an Emmy for playing Lynette Sciavo on Desperate Housewives, but to ensure she wasn't forever typecast as a harried suburban soccer mom, in Transamerica she reshuffled her image.

To conceal her gender as a woman playing a preoperative male-to-female transsexual, Huffman dons a dumpy wig, unflattering lavender pantsuits and poorly applied make up.

Plus, she exposed the most talked about prosthetic penis in film since Mark Wahlberg's Boogie Nights reveal.

CASHING IN: NOMINATED FOR AN OSCAR, AND WON A GOLDEN GLOBE AND INDEPENDENT SPIRIT AWARD.

Charlize Theron

Monster

The sultry South African beauty was virtually unrecognizable as a butch John-murdering prostitute. She packed on thirty pounds, hid her dazzling green eyes behind dark colored contact lenses and wore yellowed false teeth for the role.

To complete the cruel transition from glamazon to frumpy real-life serial killer, Theron swapped her A-list complexion in for a pasty mottled mess and shaved her eyebrows.

She also let stylists make her normally lustrous hair look in desperate need of a salon.

CASHING IN: "ONE OF THE GREATEST PERFORMANCES IN THE HISTORY OF CINEMA," RAVED ROGER EBERT, AND HE WASN'T ALONE. THERON WON A MANTLE'S WORTH OF MOVIE STAR HARDWARE FOR MONSTER, INCLUDING AN OSCAR AND A GOLDEN GLOBE.

Brad Pitt

The Curious Case of Benjamin Button

How do you turn a perennial topper of world's sexiest man lists into a wrinkly octogenarian? It took literally two years just to get the eye system component of the CGI wizardry that turned Pitt into a prune faced nursing home denizen working properly and nine months dedicated to writing the software articulation program for the computer generated tongue. For the first hour of the movie, the digitally rendered composite of an aged Pitt was seamlessly plopped onto various body actors.

While many reviewers bemoaned the three-hour run time of this majestic yarn as yawningly long, Pitt's performance as the age reversing titular character drew almost universal admiration.

CASHING IN: NOMINATED FOR AN OSCAR, SCREEN ACTORS GUILD, GOLDEN GLOBE, AND TEEN CHOICE AWARD.

Cameron Diaz

Being John Malkovich

Diaz's typically exquisite tresses have been a focal point in previous films.

In There's Something about Mary her hairstyle is front and centre in the infamous scene where Diaz mistakes a glob of Ben Stiller's nerve nullifying pre-date deposit for hair gel.

As John Cusack's homely animal hoarding wife in this surreal Spike Jonze black comedy, we once again can't help but stare at her bob — a straggly, frizzy mess of a do. We wonder if the same smiling, leggy beauty we all know and love is really under that nest and dowdy clothes.

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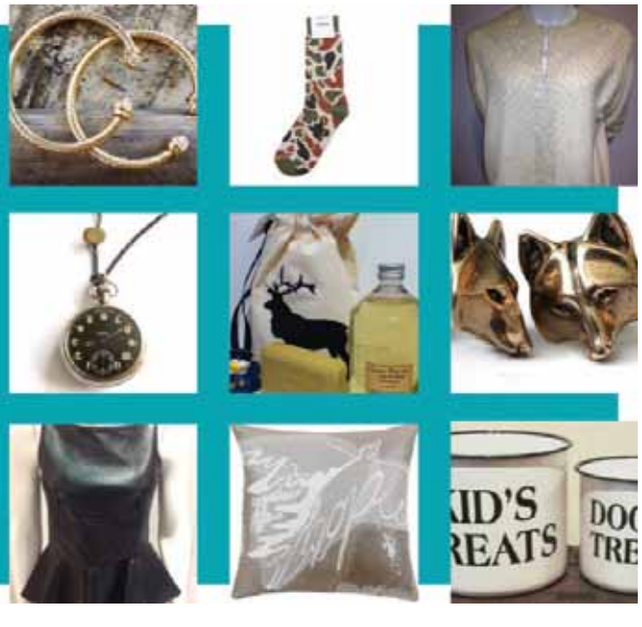

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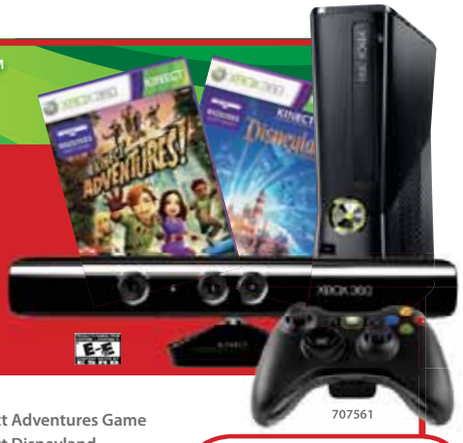

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Kinderblock 66: Return to Buchenwald (STC) Wed 6:30
The Master (14A) Fri 3:59 Sat 9:15 Sun 3:50 Mon 9:05 Wed 3:30
Story of Film: An Odyssey Part 4 (STC) Sun 1:15
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Rebelle (STC) Fri-Sun 12-1:45-3:30
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Grant Bowler mum on working with Lindsay Lohan on Liz Taylor movie

Liz & Dick. Actor who portrays Richard Burton in Lifetime movie only 'speaks for himself'

DOROTHY ROBINSON
Metro World News in New York

Liz & Dick has been getting plenty of press because of its infamous leadinglady, Lindsay Lohan. HANDOUT

Look, you can't interview Grant Bowler, the star of the much-publicized Lifetime Original Movie Liz & Dick, without asking him about his infamous co-star, Lindsay Lohan.

Well, you can ask — but he won't really answer. "I speak for myself," he says when asked what it was like to work with Lohan. "Oh, you know. [Heavy sigh] I don't know. It's, well, you know."

No, we don't. Care to elaborate? What about all the attention the film is receiving due to it featuring Lohan's first starring role in five years?

"Yeah, I think at the moment, with the film coming out ... rah, rah, rah," he says, trailing off to dead silence.

Rah, rah, rah, indeed. Luckily, Bowler — who tackles the daunting challenge of portraying famed actor Richard Burton and his tumultuous, iconic love affair with screen siren Elizabeth Taylor — was much more eloquent in talking about his role.

"There are so many downsides to playing a famous actor," he says. "If you're an actor and you play a famous tennis player, you're not going to be compared to them — no one assumes you can play tennis. To play an actor is a treacherous thing to take on. I was concerned about that, and very determined about not doing a poor job representing him. He was a personal icon of mine."

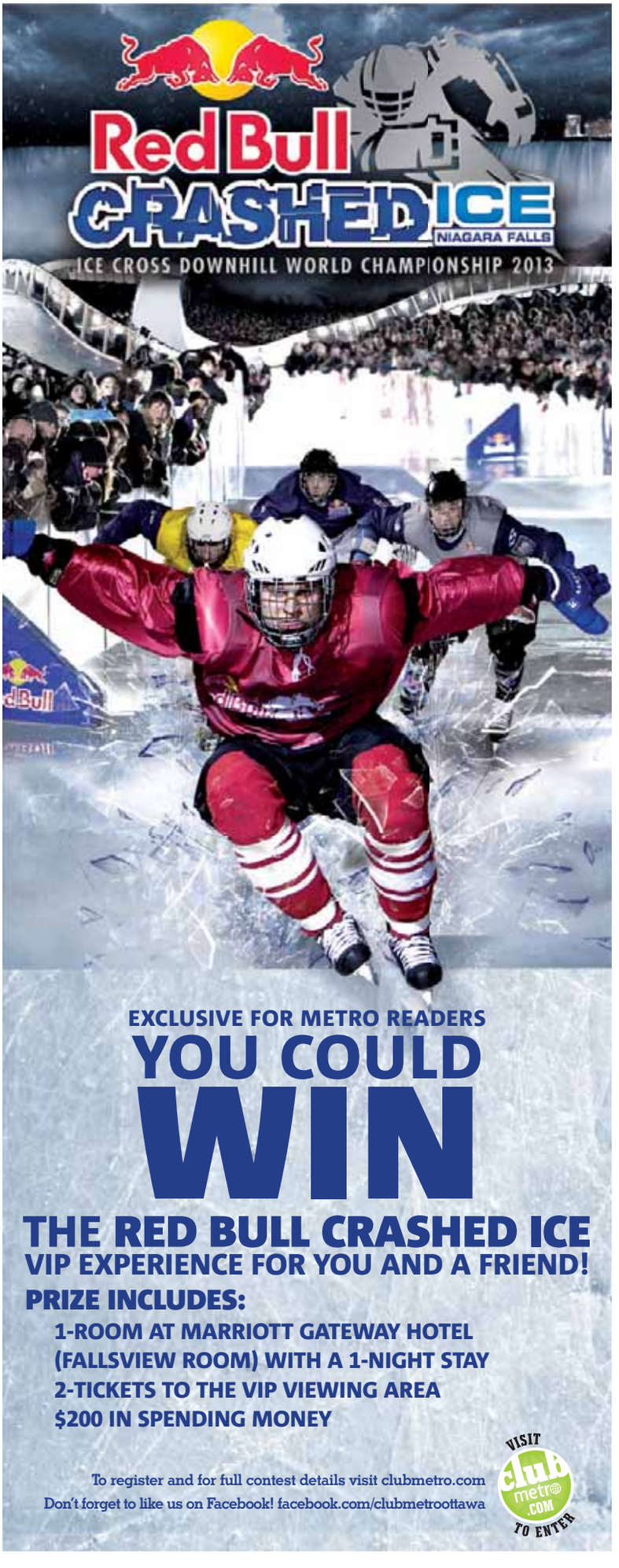
Bowler says he was able to take on Burton "bit by bit. ... I bit him off in chunks," he says.

"We covered so much time — 30 years — so I kind of started with the major turning points in their relationship. I looked at archival footage of him being interviewed and watched a lot of movies. But nothing was as informative than him being interviewed and watching them being interviewed together."

OK, but back to Lohan — really this time. "When you tell any story, you want as many people to listen as possible," he tastefully acquiesces about the amount of publicity given to Liz & Dick — even though it might not be the best kind of attention. "It's very, very hard telling a story to an empty room."

Tune in

Liz & Dick premieres Sunday on Lifetime Canada.



Why does Rob Lowe still look so young?

Beauty and Grooming Awards. The actor credits makeup artists, active living and hints at something in the works

JANINE FALCON
Metro World News

Rob Lowe has perfected the look of aging gracefully. GETTY IMAGES

Rob Lowe has a certain genetic advantage when it comes to handsomeness.

But lots of handsome actors have aged less well than he has.

In fact, Lowe, whose filmography includes St. Elmo's Fire, The West Wing and currently Parks and Recreation, seems to have hardly aged at all. So when he was in Toronto to host the Fourth Annual P&G Beauty and Grooming Awards on Nov. 19, Metro asked him straight out why he looks so good.

Is skin care important to you?
Whereas most guys don't want to deal with moisturizers or sunblock — the most rudimentary basic stuff — I have forever because it's part of my job and people are doing it for me (on set). My wife (Sheryl Berkoff) is a tremendously talented and accomplished makeup artist. I've been around her enough to learn from her.

A lot of it is how you live your life. The inside comes to the outside, so being active is a big part of it.

Staying interested in the world, staying relevant — all the stuff you need to do to have a career anyway in my business also helps you continue to be vital. That reads outwardly.

Do you have specific grooming tips from Sheryl?
I do — I have a top secret project that I'm working on, and I have very specific answers to that. And all will be revealed, but I can't do it right now. It's a subject I'm very, very interested in, and I think it's important for men today to get with the program.

Quote

"A lot of it is how you live your life"

Rob Lowe
On how he has kept his youthful good looks over the years

The market in grooming is huge and growing and for good reason. It's just the latest manifestation of all personal growth that guys are trying to do.

They're trying to be better in every area of life, trying to live longer, to know more, to have better jobs, make their relationships better, so why wouldn't you physically also want to make yourself look as good as you can?

You play a health nut on Parks and Recreation. How much of that is part of your everyday life?
I've always been really, really physical. If I have time, I do something every day, whether it's swimming or surfing or tennis.

If I don't do it, I just don't feel good.

It's something I really enjoy, and I've been doing that since The Outsiders.

I wish I could be as healthy as my character, Chris Traeger. I'm a health enthusiast, not a health facist.

I have teenage boys at home. Eleven o'clock rolls around and that pizza is getting delivered, you need a stronger man than I to say no.

You have great hair; do you do anything special?
I'm a freak about haircuts. There's nothing better than a good haircut. It's like a great suit — it's not about the suit, it's about the tailoring. So it's not about how much hair you have or don't have or where it is, it's how it's cut. There are guys with no hair that look amazing, and guys with a lot of hair that look terrible.

I can't spend time on it. Most guys are like that. We don't want a hassle.

We want to do as little work as we can for maximum gain. By the way, that's true in every area of my life.

Chris Colfer. Taking the next step with a film he wrote and stars in

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Metro World News

Golden-Globe-winning actor. New York Times best-selling author. Named one of Time magazine's 100 Most Influential People. Not bad for a 22-year-old. And now Chris Colfer is stepping up his game with Struck by Lightning, a film he wrote in high school and stars in, due out in January. It's also the title of Colfer's second novel, out Tuesday, written as the journal of the film's main character, Carson Phillips.

Turning a screenplay into a book seems like kind of a backward adaptation.
Oh, it totally was. It was really a very unique process. I wrote the screenplay, and the way the screenplay is formatted compared to the way the movie was edited is completely different. There are many scenes that were cut — well, there were many scenes that had to be cut because we couldn't afford to film them.

How do you want readers to experience the book as opposed to those seeing the movie?
The journal takes place over the course of his last few months alive and the movie takes place back and forth between his life and after his death. So I think the journal offers an inside look into everything that was going on in his head at the time — pursuing his goals and blackmailing his peers.

Chris Colfer wrote and stars in Struck by Lightning. GETTY IMAGES

About that blackmailing: Did you worry about including dark material like that, considering the stances you've taken on causes like bullying and gay rights?
Not really. Everyone really has me on a very big role-model pedestal. But they forget that before I was a role model thanks to Glee, I was an actor. I don't think I'm ever going to worry about material that I create or portray that might affect my role model status. I'm always very cautious about things I say in interviews and how I present myself, but I don't think I'll ever be persuaded not to do a project or not write because I'm worried that people might think less of me.

Your resumé is quite impressive, as you're only 22 years old. Do you know something that the rest of us don't about how much time we have left?
No ... (laughs). And I swear to God, I don't have people helping me. I write everything authentically myself and by myself, and I don't really like working with other people. I don't think I can be creative with someone else. But I think it's just drive. I've always had this burning need to be a storyteller. Ever since I was a kid, it's what I love to do the most — create worlds and create characters.

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OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES

Taylor Swift ALL PHOTOS GETTY

Swift signs of affection for Taylor and One Direction's Harry Styles

As rumours emerge that Taylor Swift and One Direction member Harry Styles are dating, new details are coming out about their flirt-filled meeting at an X Factor rehearsal earlier this month. "They lit up when they saw each other," a source tells Us Weekly, adding that the pair spent most of the day together and that Swift "was a puppy dog" with Styles. And after being spotted walking hand-in-hand on set, the boy band star opted for a dramatic exit: "Harry picked her up and carried her to the trailer," the source says.

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"Harry picked her up and carried her to the trailer."

A source
On the pair's dramatic exit at an X Factor rehearsal earlier this month.

Mayim Bialik

Big Bang's Mayim Bialik announces divorce from Michael Stone

Mayim Bialik and husband Michael Stone are divorcing after nine years of marriage and two children, the actress announced in a blog post on parenting site Kveller this week. "After much consideration and soul-searching, Michael and I have arrived at the decision to divorce due to 'irreconcilable differences,'" the Blossom and Big Bang Theory star writes. "Divorce is terribly sad, painful and incomprehensible for children. It is not something we have decided lightly."

The Word

Bieber and Gomez trying to iron out kinks in relationship

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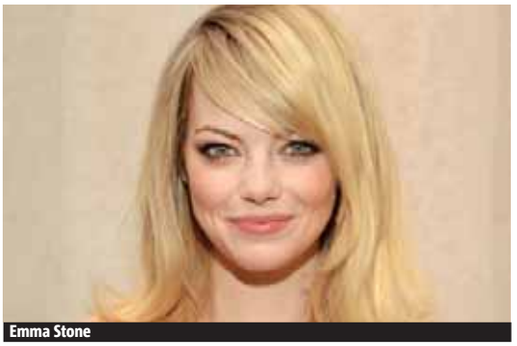
Justin Bieber and Selena Gomez are actually back together and trying desperately to make their relationship work amid all the public scrutiny, a source close to the pair tells Radar Online. "The problem between them stemmed from Justin texting other girls," the source explains. "Selena is embarrassed by what he did because it makes her look stupid, that he would talk to these other girls, and she is also embarrassed that everyone is so invested in their relationship now because of his actions." And as for their dinner date in L.A. last week that ended with Gomez storming out? "There was no blow-up," the source says. "Selena is just super-embarrassed by all of this attention, and she got upset when they sat down and people were staring and pulling out their cellphones."



Emma Stone

Emma Stone 'has a sex tape and that's a fact'

Amazing Spider-Man star Emma Stone could be the latest Hollywood starlet to be haunted by her home-movie past, if Radar Online's report is correct. "Emma Stone has a sex tape and that's a fact," a source tells the website. "She made it long before she started dating Andrew Garfield and before she became a household name. She was just young and probably thought nothing would ever come of it." Luckily for Stone, no efforts have been made to shop the tape around — yet. "The tape remains in the hands of the person she made it with," the source explains. "But that doesn't mean there's any guarantee that it won't eventually hit the market. The higher Emma's star rises, the more valuable that tape becomes."

Kristen Stewart

Craig (eventually) gives Stewart Bond girl blessing

When asked at the Breaking Dawn — Part 2 premiere if she'd be interested in playing a Bond girl, Twilight star Kristen Stewart gave an emphatic, "Yes, hell yeah!" But not so fast, young lady. You have to get by Daniel Craig first. "No, she's in Twilight," Craig says during an interview in Australia with biting disdain in his voice, when asked about the idea. But he quickly laughed off his rancor, clarifying, "I've no problem with Kristen Stewart, I'm being nasty. I'm only saying that because (Breaking Dawn — Part 2) is coming out this weekend. We're in direct competition with them. And I'm sure she'd make a great Bond girl."

Twitter

@EvaLongoria
Omg, this white/grey owl just landed on my balcony 5 feet away from me! Doesn't that symbolize something??!!

@ParisJackson
Can they make a settings for when you type on an iphone it makes a typewriter clicking sound and when you send a text it goes "cha-ching"

@ParisHilton
At home relaxing watching Honey Boo Boo. She is such a lil character, love her! Such a funny cute show. Lol

@EmWatson
I never feel so accomplished as when I open a tough jar.

Maple Bacon Butter Pizza: Foodie touchdown

Grey Cup snacks. This delicious pizza has the perfect Canadian touch for the big game

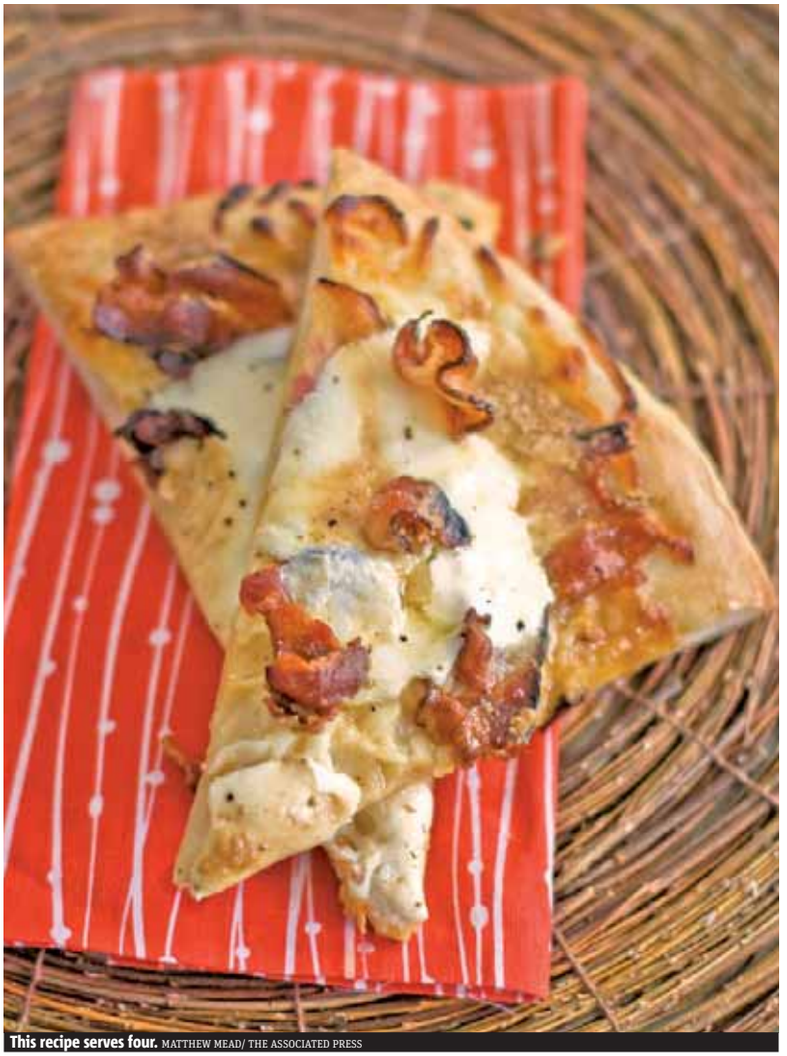
Predictably, the Internet abounds with recipes for pizza made with maple-cured bacon. But to truly take it to the next level — and make it uniquely Canadian — maple syrup is involved, as is an ample helping of butter to keep things interesting.

The result is this Maple Bacon Butter Pizza, which is refreshingly simple. A basic crust topped first with mozzarella, then cooked bacon, then more mozzarella and finally dollops of maple compound butter (made by blending softened butter with granulated maple sugar) is all it takes.

1. Heat the oven to 500 F. Lightly coat a baking sheet with cooking spray.

2. In a small bowl, mix together the butter and maple sugar until well blended. Set aside.

3. On a lightly floured surface, carefully roll out the pizza dough to about a 14-inch circle. You may need to use your hands to stretch the dough if rolling alone doesn't work. Transfer the dough to the prepared baking sheet.



This recipe serves four. MATTHEW MEAD/ THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Ingredients

- 3 tbsp butter, softened
- 3 tbsp granulated maple sugar
- 20-oz ball prepared pizza dough, room temperature
- 1 cup grated mozzarella cheese
- 12 oz bacon, cooked and crumbled
- 8-oz ball fresh mozzarella, sliced

4. Sprinkle the grated mozzarella cheese evenly over the dough. Top the mozzarella with the bacon, distributing it evenly over the pizza. Arrange the slices of fresh mozzarella over the bacon. Using 2 spoons, scoop and dollop the maple sugar butter evenly over the pizza. The dollops do not need to be spread; they will melt in the oven.

5. Bake for 12 to 15 minutes, or until the crust is puffed and browned and the cheese at the centre of the pizza is lightly browned. Let the pizza rest for 5 minutes before slicing. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Liquid Assets

A hint of Canadiana

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Time sure flies when you're sniffing, sipping and spitting (well, mostly) to please readers. I should know. This is my 200th Liquid Assets column for Metro.

I'm not the only one acknowledging a major milestone this weekend. On Sunday, The Grey Cup is raising a glass in celebration of a century of guys tossing a football back and forth.

I admit I don't know much about the game. What I do know is whisky, and the anniversary-inspired Gibson's Finest 100th Grey Cup Limited Edition ($29.95 to $33.29) will put an all-Canadian flavour profile (along with a touch of maple goodness) into your glass.

After a few failed attempts to infuse established whiskies from its portfolio with the sweet stuff, Gibson's official Malt Master created a special blend that includes maple syrup as part of the recipe.

The finished spirit is relaxed and soothing with a soft, smoky aroma that releases hints of tropical fruits and caramel. In the mouth, a rich expression of malt is massaged by an undercurrent of vanilla and just a whisper of maple sugar that makes it an ideal whisky to sip on while watching the big game. **PRICES REFLECT THE RANGE ACROSS THE COUNTRY. SOME PRODUCTS MAY NOT BE AVAILABLE IN ALL PROVINCES.**

Sloppy brisket heaven

1. Season brisket on all sides with salt and pepper. In pressure cooker over medium-high, heat oil. When oil is hot, add brisket and sear 3 minutes per side, or until well browned.

2. In bowl, whisk water, tomato sauce, ketchup, brown sugar, apricot preserves, vinegar, cumin, mustard powder, paprika and garlic powder. Once brisket is totally seared, add tomato sauce mixture to the pressure cooker. Move brisket pieces around to ensure liquid is both under and over them.

Ingredients

- 4-lb brisket, trimmed of fat, cut into 3 or 4 pieces
- Kosher salt and black pepper
- 2 tbsp canola or vegetable oil
- 2 cups water
- 15-oz can tomato sauce
- 1/2 cup ketchup
- 1/2 cup packed brown sugar
- 1/2 cup apricot preserves
- 1/4 cup cider vinegar
- 1 tsp each cumin, mustard powder, smoked paprika, garlic powder
- slider buns

3. Attach cover of pressure cooker and seal according to manufacturer directions. Bring to pressure, then adjust temperature to maintain medium-high pressure. Cook 1 1/2 hours.

4. Remove pressure cooker from heat and place in sink under cool running water. Once pressure cooker cools enough to open, do so and test the meat. It should be fork tender.

This recipe serves 10. MATTHEW MEAD/ THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

5. Carefully transfer meat to platter and use 2 forks to gently pull it apart into bite-size chunks.

6. Meanwhile, return cooker to heat and simmer, uncovered, until liquid has reduced and thickened. Return shredded brisket to cooker and toss well. Serve with slider buns.

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Have a few gaps in your schedule you're looking to fill?
Whether you're hoping to dance, drink or just relax, check out these hot upcoming events.

MIX OF SIX
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Mother Mother

Vancouver indie quintet Mother Mother play their energetic live set at the Bronson Centre with fellow West Coast songstress Hannah Georgas on Friday night. With influences like The Beatles and Cole Porter, their fourth studio album The Sticks proves to be their most ambitious and catchy album yet. Nov. 23. Visit mothermothersite.com.

Pride and Prejudice

The NAC English Theatre presents an adaption of Jane Austen's masterpiece about love and the politics of marriage. Follow the headstrong Elizabeth Bennet as she struggles with social pressures of 19th century London after meeting the charming Mr. Darcy, and watch the comedic sparks of romance begin to fly. Nov. 21 to Dec. 8. Visit nac-cna.ca/en/englishtheatre.

Hypnotic Brass Ensemble

Ottawa's first ever Nu-Jazz Festival brings Hypnotic Brass Ensemble to Ritual on Sunday night. From the south side of Chicago, these eight brothers grew up in a family jazz hothouse influencing their eclectic all-brass music that mixes rock funk and hip hop. Their style has had them opening for Mos Def and Erykah Badu. Nov. 24. Visit worldfamousmusic.net.

Geek Chic Art

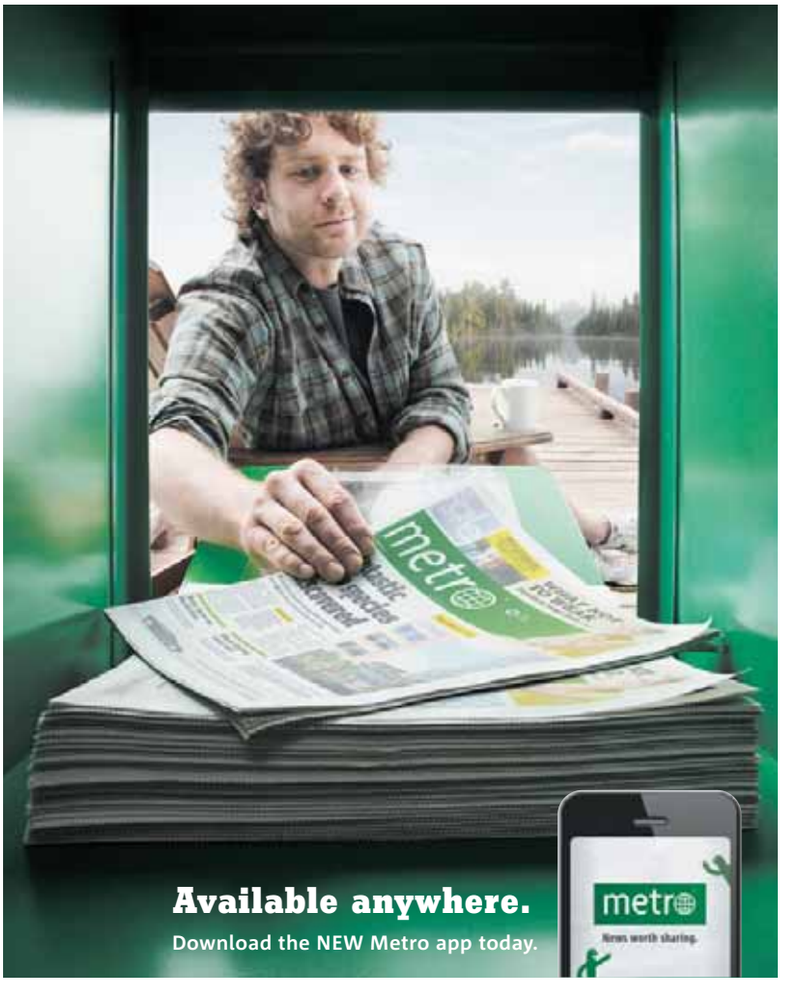
You don't need to don a cape and tights on the red carpet to appreciate The Comic Book Shoppe's annual Fine Art Gala on Sunday. Fans of sci-fi, anime, steampunk, fantasy and comic book style can find the perfect piece to turn a living room into a heroes' hideout from local artists. Nov. 25. Visit thecomicbookshoppe.com.

Neil Young and Crazy Horse — Don't call him an Old Man

For those who grew up listening to Déjà Vu in the 1970s, or their children who found it in their parents' vinyl collection years later, Canadian rock legend Neil Young brings his band Crazy Horse to Scotia Bank to play the classics this Saturday. Joining Young is iconic singer-songwriter Patti Smith. Nov. 24. Visit

Clam-jam

Female chefs from the best restaurants in Ottawa take over local hot spot Union 613 to raise money for Harmony House by serving up a seven-course meal on Sunday. With the dozen combined culinary talents from Beckta to Zen Kitchen, helping end violence against women is just one delicious forkful away. Nov. 25. Visit harmonyhousews.com



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Nikon D7000 (body only) — $849

Jelly Camera Phone Filters — $15, below left, Epson Stylus Pro 3880 Inkjet Printer — $1,020, below right.

MIKE YAWNEY
For Metro

Get in touch with your creative side this holiday season with a brand new camera.

Whether you are planning on simply updating your Facebook profile picture or blackmailing the neighbour with some racy photos, there's a camera out there to suit everyone's needs. Take a look at these fun photo gift ideas.

Nikon D7000 (body only) — $849

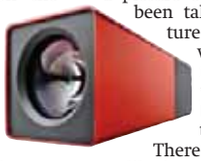
This 16.2-megapixel DSLR camera is ideal for the professional photographer on your list. With a 0.13-second startup and 50ms shutter lag, this powerhouse is ready to go when you are. The D7000 is capable of shooting six frames per second for up to 100 shots, and can be used to record full 1080p video with auto-focus. Remember, lenses cost extra.

Panasonic Lumix DMC-ZS20 — $349

A user-friendly entry level camera with incredible zoom capabilities. Despite its shallow body, this 14-megapixel camera comes equipped with a wide-angle 20X optical zoom lens. Seventeen scene modes ensure you get the best picture under any lighting condition, while semi-manual and manual modes are there for those who like to tinker. If you are feeling really creative you can snap 3-D photos, which can be fun if you own a 3-D TV.

Olympus Tough TG-1 iHS — $399

It's one of the most rugged cameras on the market. Shockproof, freezeproof, dust-proof; you can take photos in the most extreme conditions, even 40 feet underwater. Tired of shooting still photos? Turn this 12-megapixel camera into a camcorder and shoot 1080p HD video. The camera is also equipped with GPS, so location and landmark information will be recorded with every image you snap.



Lytro — $399.99

The Lytro camera lets you create living pictures you can explore. This unique looking camera records the entire light field so you can refocus a picture even after it has been taken. Post a picture online and watch as your friends explore your photos by changing the focal point. There's no other camera like it.

Epson Stylus Pro 3880 Inkjet Printer — $1,020

Print extravagant photos right at home. This high-end printer from Epson uses pigment ink for vivid, bold colours. Print on simple photo paper or take your projects to the next level by printing on a variety of specialty papers including fibre paper, art boards and even canvas. This printer also has the ability to print large 17x22-inch images.

Jelly Camera Phone Filters — $15

These tiny keychain sized lenses add cool effects to the photos you snap on your smartphone. Choose from starburst, kaleidoscope or wide angle. Each lens sticks to your phone with a gummy ring, which is reusable. They also come with keychain loops so you can hook them onto practically anything.

iPhone Shutter Remote — $40

Take photos on your iPhone from up to 30 feet away. This neat little remote controls your smartphone via Bluetooth so you will never miss being in a picture ever again. Works with iPod Touch, iPad, and even the new iPhone 5.

Clockwise, from right, iPhone Shutter Remote — $40, Panasonic Lumix DMC-ZS20 — $349, Lytro — $399.99, Olympus Tough TG-1 iHS — $399.

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Grrreat gifts for Fido and Mittens

Furry friends. Your best pal deserves a holiday treat too

YLVA VAN BUUREN
For Metro

Celebrate the season by wrapping up something nice for your four-legged friends! Here are lots of great ideas.

Above: Peachy Keen Pets collars. Centre, Original Crinkle Toy. Top right, Fun n Floss dental toy. Bottom right, Head-Lites.

Give to Animals in Need — Fido will Approve

Giving time or money to a shelter or another worthy animal cause is a wonderful gift. Contact pet shelters near you or make a donation to an animal charity. Here are a few ideas: the World Society for the Protection of Animals (wspa.ca); Canadian Dachshund Rescue (weinerdogrescue.com); The Humane Society of Canada (humanesociety.com).

Homemade You Say

Pet Network show producer Jen Mitchell Oddi provides this recipe for yummy Elvis Dog Treats that features what else but peanut butter and banana, which the King himself loved (see the recipe box on this page.) For the favourite pooch in your life, wrap up half a dozen and put them under the tree on Christmas morning. Find more recipes at her blog, mydogsbreakfast.com.

'Catch The Mouse' Cat Game

Turn your iPad into a cat toy? While it sounds a little crazy, it's actually great fun for cats and their owners.

This game features a cute little orange mouse that runs around the screen. There are sound effects (the mouse squeaks) and if you don't like an orange mouse on black, change the colour of the background or the mouse. The app costs 99 cents at itunes.apple.com/ca/app/catch-the-mouse-cat-game/id423287711?mt=8

Antler Chews

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Light Up Your Dog's Life

Keep your dog safe — and stylish — at night with a collar that lights up! Head-Lites premium LED dog collars are made in Canada in a variety of sizes, colours and patterns. $44 online at headlites.com or backtothebone.ca in Burlington, Ont.

Antler Chews — Don't Tell Rudolph

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Fun and Floss

Help your dog keep its teeth healthy with the Fun n Floss dental rope toy. Chewing on the toy actually flosses and cleans teeth. In different sizes, it costs $5.99 - $7.99 and is available at most independent pet stores, Pet Valu, Global Pet Foods, PJ's Pets and Super Pet.

Elvis Dog Treats

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 banana
- ¾ cup peanut butter
- 1 cup water
- 1 tsp baking powder
- 4 cups rye or whole wheat flour

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Mush the banana in a large mixing bowl. Add peanut butter and water, and mix well.
- Add baking powder and flour, a bit at a time, mixing until combined. If dough is still a bit wet, add flour until your fingers don't stick to it.
- Knead until you have a smooth ball. Roll in parchment or plastic wrap and cool in fridge for 30 minutes.
- Preheat oven to 350 degrees and line baking sheet with parchment paper.
- Roll dough out onto a lightly floured surface to 1/8th - ¼ inch thick. Cut into squares (or use a dog bone cookie cutter) and bake for 20 minutes.
- These treats keep for three to five days in the fridge or you can freeze them.

Martha Stewart Pets cat toys

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Hang up the PetHoliday by Grreat Choice Naughty or Nice Stocking for your dog and the Bret Michaels Pets Rock Tattoo Kitty Xmas Stocking for your cat — and see what Santa brings! Both cost $9.99 at PetSmart.

Bret Michaels Xmas Stocking

Catnip for Two

Entertain your feline friend with Martha Stewart Pets dressed up mice cat toys — they're catnip-filled and have bells at the end of their tails. $4.99 at PetSmart stores.

Ornamental Dogs

These tiny Claydough Balloon Dogs make great stocking stuffers, or use them to decorate your tree. $1 each at Canadian Tire.

Knit dog sweater

Sweater Dog

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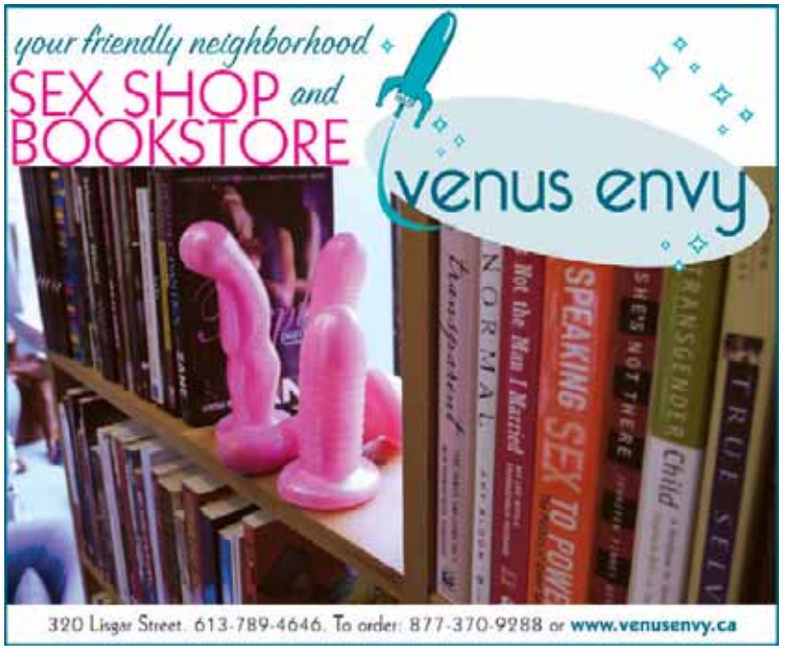
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Much cooler than an MP3 gift card

KEITH CARMAN
For Metro

Downloading is clearly a fast and easy means of garnering the latest, greatest pieces of aural majesty.

Still, when it comes to festive times, no credit card-sized gift certificate offering musical megabytes comes close to stuffing a stocking or stirring excitement quite like a tangible CD or box set. It's with this means of piling up presents under the tree that we offer some suggestions for sating melodic enthusiasts.

For most people, folk rock tends to be a rather safe bet and who better to place odds on than Canucks Great Big Sea? Issuing their XX (Warner) box set just in time for the holidays, the package showcases two albums (Rogue Waves and CBC Key Note) as well as the Meet Great Big Sea DVD, 104-page bound book, calendar, two posters, two lyric sheets, postcard, souvenir laminates and stickers.

For a little more twang, country folk fans might appreciate Toby Keith's latest Hope On The Rocks (Universal). To go the extra mile, try the deluxe edition featuring remixes and live versions of tracks. Overall, it's an album the artist himself wryly described to Billboard Magazine as "the same stuff I usually do." Now there's a sales point.

Tipping one's hat to the essence of soul, chanteuse Bettye LaVette's latest work Thankful N' Thoughtful (ANTI) has kicked up plenty of smoke in its mere two-plus months on the shelves. Then again, with 50 years in the business, LaVette knows her away around a solid tune.

Some other gents with their own aesthetic marvel and lengthy time belting out blues-fuelled ditties, ZZ Top issue their first full-length in nine years. Dubbed La Futura (American), it's packed with that self-proclaimed "Little Ol' Band From Texas" at its finest.

Neil Young

Speaking of finest, national treasure Neil Young assembles his beloved Crazy Horse crew for Psychedelic Pill (Warner), their first onslaught of warble-throated originals in a full-on decade. With nine tracks clocking in at 85 minutes, it's sure to satisfy even the most diehard Young freak.

For something far more up-beat, consider positively charged anthemic rock vocalist Andrew W.K.'s 10th anniversary edition of legendary debut I Get Wet (Century Media). Available in three versions, its features range from a simple double CD to two-album gatefold LP boasting bonus tracks and 20-page full-colour booklet. For devout fans, there's even a 500-copy limited collectors edition replete with autographed booklet and either a lock of W.K.'s hair, a piece of his signature white jeans or an autographed plane ticket from his 2012 world tour.

Those looking to tide over the more anodized music fans on their gift lists would do well to check out metallions As I Lay Dying's sixth studio effort Awakened (Metal Blade) as an option. Peaking at No. 11 on the Billboard charts, it clearly hasn't steered many headbangers wrong.

Finally, as the lines between punk rock and heavy metal become further blurred, hardcore mainstays Converge shatter all previous expectations via latest Epitaph Records release All We Love We Leave Behind. Thick, pummelling and vicious, it's the perfect onslaught of barbed brawn for any brawny music buff.

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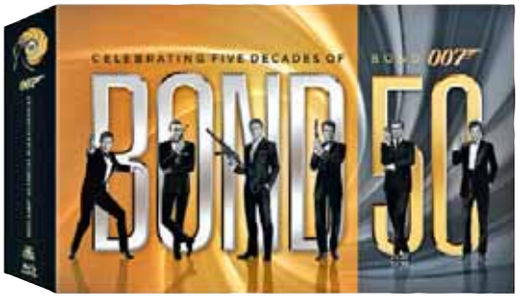
DVDs, Blu-rays and box sets — Oh my!

KEITH CARMAN
For Metro

Whether it's for that special someone or to round out your own collection, Blu-rays and DVDs are always a wise choice come holiday season. Let's face it: Who's about to pass on hours of entertainment from the comfort of the family sofa?

At that, there are a multitude of films, documentaries and television series releases at this time of year. A few options:

Dark Knight Rises (Warner Home Video)
Eight years after his last tussle with The Joker, we find Batman up against a new nemesis. Garnering plenty of acclaim, this action flick's home video release finds the Blu-ray treated to a 1080p transfer with 5.1 DTS-HD Master Audio, an hour's worth of IMAX footage and more. The DVD will feature an anamorphic widescreen presentation, 5.1 Dolby Digital audio, an UltraViolet copy of the film and The Journey of Bruce Wayne featurette.



Ted (Universal)
Easily one of the year's more surprising — if not altogether shocking — movies, Family Guy creator Seth MacFarlane's Ted focuses on a "foul-mouthed, hard-partying teddy bear and his 35-year-old best friend." Starring the likes of Mark Wahlberg, Mila Kunis and Giovanni Ribisi, it's no wonder Ted was No. 1 at the box office. Combining the Blu-ray, DVD, digital and UltraViolet versions along with extras such as a gag reel, deleted scenes, making-of featurettes, a commentary and more, it might be raunchy but it's quite rousing.

Seeking A Friend For The End Of The World (Focus Features)
A touch oddball but entirely endearing, this rom-com starring Steve Carell and Keira Knightley is a perfect reason to pull that loved one closer. Realizing he is alone at the end of the world, Carell searches out his estranged wife with the assistance of a neighbour. Interestingly, her good intentions turn into a rather large monkey wrench.

Bond 50: Celebrating Five Decades of James Bond (MGM)
For the truly dedicated fan, this bold Blu-ray collection showcases 007 from start to current: a collectible box featuring all 22 James Bond films. Not enough? Well, it also boasts more than 130 hours of bonus features including never-before-seen content from the Bond archives.

Doctor Who Series 7, Part 1 (Warner)
In keeping with the U.K. dogooder theme, time-travelling intellectual Doctor Who sees the first instalment of Series 7 hit shelves in both Blu-ray and DVD. Packed with five gripping episodes, this era in the lengthy franchise is lauded as one of its best.

The Simpsons Season 15 (20th Century Fox Home Entertainment)
Need something a little lighter on the brain but no less entertaining? The family known to every corner of the globe issues its 15th season just in time for, well, wasting time. Initially airing circa 2003, this release is packed with 22 episodes over four discs and a plethora of extras including deleted scenes, featurettes and Blu-ray-only extra episodes.

ParaNorman (Alliance)
In this animated feature, a small town is overrun with zombies. It's up to geeky local boy Norman to save everyone. Able to converse with the dead, it's his task to eliminate the hordes of ghosts, witches and the like. Packed with a Blu-ray, DVD and Digital copy — all relayed in 3-D — it's a fun flick for the whole family.

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Devise a plan before you go holiday shopping so you won't go over budget. ISTOCKPHOTO/THINKSTOCK

Budget. Spending tips for the season

YLVA VAN BUUREN
For Metro

Here are the ways we blow our holiday budgets, and tips on how to avoid it.

Budget? What budget?
The holidays are fun but can be expensive too, says Mike Henry, Scotiabank's senior vice-president of retail payments, deposits and lending. "Plan ahead for the extra spending by budgeting a certain amount." Decide who you're going to buy for and how much you can spend.

Budget for gifts only
Don't forget to include entertaining and other holiday expenses such as outside lights, postage costs and wrapping paper in your budget.

Guess that everyone will love the gift you choose
Research ahead of time (ask friends and family) so that you have a good idea of what each person might like. When you're at a complete loss, gift cards are great, says Cathie Mostowyk, president, Shoestring Shopping Guide.

Worry about everyone
Consider exchanging names in your family so you are buying one great gift rather than several. Or go in together as a group to buy a large item for someone.

Wander around a mall
That's usually a waste of time, says Mostowyk. Research gift ideas, websites and stores so you know what to buy ahead of time.

Bring kids when you shop
Shop by yourself so you stay focused. Leave the coat in the car and take a bottle of water, says Mostowyk.

Buy all the gifts you give
Get creative, says Stephanie Holmes-Winton, CEO of themoneyfinder.ca and a member of Advocis, the Financial Advisors Association of Canada. Wrap up all the ingredients for Christmas cookies along with the recipe.

Lose track
Keep track of spending over the holidays with online or mobile banking, says Henry. Use services such as Scotiabank's InfoAlert, which alerts customers by text or email when their balance dips below a certain amount.

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AS USUAL, IT'S A TALE OF TWO QUARTERBACKS

CFL EXTRA POINTS
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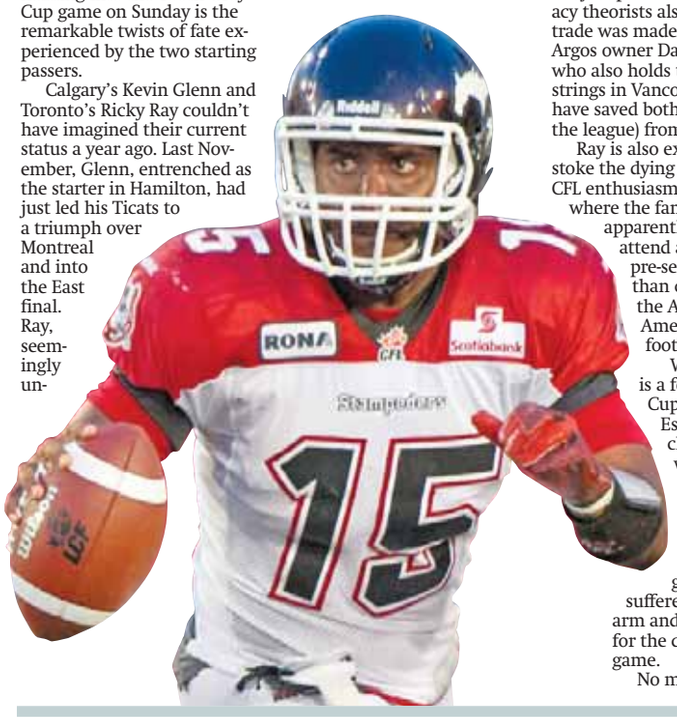
Calgary at Toronto, Sunday, 6:30 p.m. (TSN)
It should be no surprise that in a quarterback-driven league, the biggest story heading into the 100th Grey Cup game on Sunday is the remarkable twists of fate experienced by the two starting passers.

Calgary's Kevin Glenn and Toronto's Ricky Ray couldn't have imagined their current status a year ago. Last November, Glenn, entrenched as the starter in Hamilton, had just led his Ticats to a triumph over Montreal and into the East final. Ray, seemingly untouchable as a legend in Edmonton, was expected to play out his career as an Eskimo. Fast-forward to today and Glenn has emerged as the Stampeders' surprising playoff leader and hero heading into the Grey Cup Sunday at Rogers Centre in Toronto. Ray, swapped by then-Esks GM Eric Tillman for little more than a handful of magic beans, is suddenly tasked with leading the Argos in their first "home" Grey Cup in 20 years.



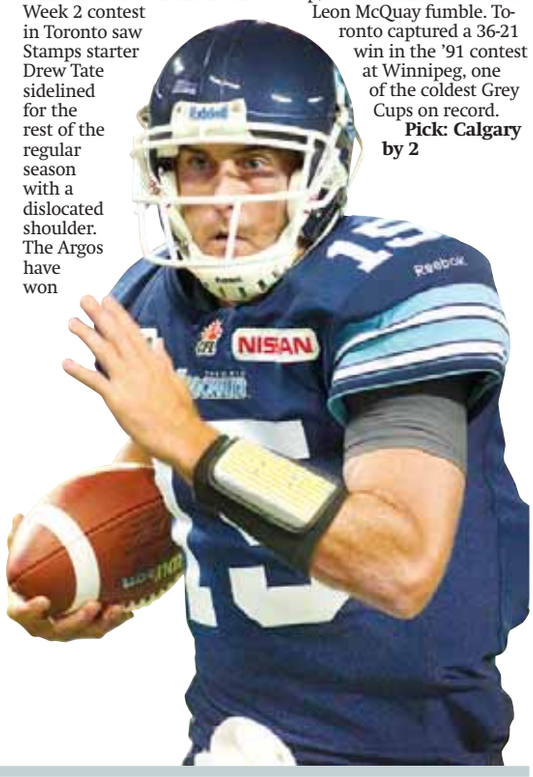
The trade was so one-sided, some CFL followers still believe the Ray transaction was orchestrated by the league to help the Argos compete for the centennial Grey Cup at home. Conspiracy theorists also suggest the trade was made to appease Argos owner David Braley, who also holds the purse strings in Vancouver and may have saved both teams (and the league) from extinction.

Ray is also expected to stoke the dying embers of CFL enthusiasm in Toronto, where the fan base would apparently prefer to attend a Buffalo Bills pre-season game than cheer on the Argos, North America's oldest football franchise.

While Ray is a former Grey Cup champ as an Eskimo, Glenn's closest brush with the title occurred in the 2007 East final. Despite winning the game, Glenn suffered a broken arm and was sidelined for the championship game.

No matter who wins Sunday, the 2012 Grey Cup champs will be led by a quarterback whose story will dominate the headlines Monday morning.

Season series: The Argos won both matchups this season, 39-36 at home in Week 2 and 22-14 at McMahon. The Week 2 contest in Toronto saw Stamps starter Drew Tate sidelined for the rest of the regular season with a dislocated shoulder. The Argos have won five consecutive games against the Stamps dating back to 2010.



Grey Cup history: This will mark the third Grey Cup meeting between the two franchises. Calgary slipped past Toronto 14-11 in the '71 cup, best remembered for the Leon McQuay fumble. Toronto captured a 36-21 win in the '91 contest at Winnipeg, one of the coldest Grey Cups on record.

Pick: Calgary by 2

CFL a reflection of Canada's culture: Cohon

CFL commissioner Mark Cohon applauds as former Ottawa Rough Rider and three-time Grey Cup champion quarterback Russ Jackson carries the Grey Cup in the House of Commons on Oct. 24 in Ottawa.
SEAN KILPATRICK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

JESSICA SMITH
Metro in Toronto

From the country's east-west divide to the way we define ourselves as different from the United States, when Canadians look at the culture of the CFL, it's just like looking in a mirror.

For example, Canada's history as a country shaped by immigration is shown in the stories of athletes who came here to play, CFL commissioner Mark Cohon said. "That's the story of Chuck Ealey, one of the best black quarterbacks in NCAA who wasn't drafted to the NFL because of the colour of his skin. He came to Canada and won a Grey Cup with the Tiger-Cats."

Regional divisions and rivalries are true in life and in CFL fandom.

"When you talk about Canada, you talk about the competition between the Western provinces and Ontario, the central provinces. Toronto is the natural city that people across the country want to hate," said Cohon.

The decision to host the 100th Grey Cup game in Toronto was partially a bid to grow the comparatively lacklustre enthusiasm for the game in Ontario, he said.

It won't just be Argos fans at the Rogers Centre on Sunday, and that's the most important thing, said Cohon.

"One of the beauties of the Grey Cup is the people in the stadium all wearing different jerseys. Their affinity is to different teams, but they all get along — and that a reflection of the country as well," he said. "It's also a time where people pause and come together, whether they're in the stadium or watching it on TV. Millions and millions will sit in their living rooms or go to bars and restaurants and be with their friends."

Quoted

"It's a time where we reflect on what it means to be Canadian."

CFL commissioner Mark Cohon on the cultural significance of the Grey Cup

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Stampeders fans getting warm welcome from hosts

Grey Cup. Calgary mascot allowed to parade through Royal York Hotel, invoking tradition from 1948

As Toronto gears up to host Sunday's historic Grey Cup, fans of the Calgary Stampeders are bringing some western flair to the city.

"We're just going to kick up our heels and party it up now," said Brad Greenslade, a member of the Calgary Grey Cup Committee. "We're here to paint this town Calgary!"

Donning Stampeders red and a white cowboy hat, Greenslade says he and the other 60 committee members have been spreading cowboy spirit since they began arriving in the city over the past few days.

And so far, Toronto has embraced it.

On Thursday, the group's chairman trotted a horse named Marty through the front doors of the upscale Fairmont Royal York Hotel as a crowd of cheering fans hooted and chanted, "Go Stamps go!"

Greenslade says the horse stunt brings Calgary luck and he's happy they were able to recreate it for the 100th Grey Cup. The Stampeders will face the hometown Argonauts in the big game Sunday at Rogers Centre.

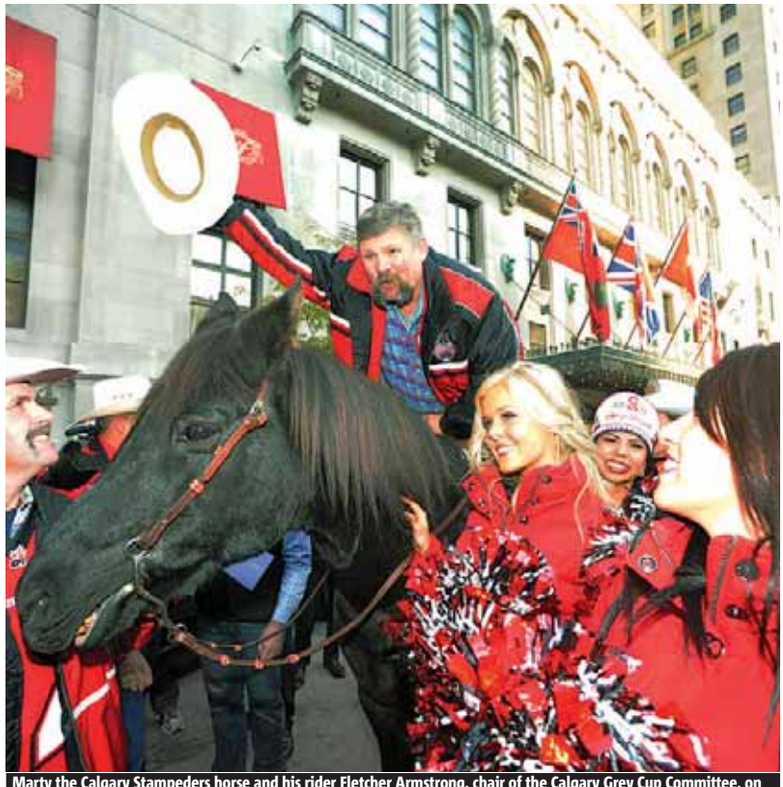
Earlier in the day, the 15-year-old dark-brown stallion was turned away due to safety concerns.

The hotel rolled out its official red carpet, usually reserved for royalty and heads of states, and even prepared a bucket of apples and carrots for his arrival. But the Royal York stopped short of letting the animal through its front doors.

Hours later, after the Calgary fans took Marty to various spots around the city — including TV stations and an Irish pub for some apples and beer — the Royal York changed its mind about their four-legged guest.

Also Thursday, the CFL announced it had reached a compromise with the Stamps about one of their other traditions.

The league says it will allow the team's horse mascot Quick Six and rider Karyn Drake to be on the sidelines during the game, but won't let the animal gallop alongside the field when Calgary scores due to a lack of available space and safety concerns. THE CANADIAN PRESS



Marty the Calgary Stampeders horse and his rider Fletcher Armstrong, chair of the Calgary Grey Cup Committee, on Thursday in Toronto. COLIN MCCONNELL/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

CFL awards

Chad Owens wins outstanding player prize

The Flyin' Hawaiian is the CFL's outstanding player.

Versatile Chad Owens of the Toronto Argonauts claimed the honour Thursday night at the league's awards banquet. The 30-year-old native of Hawaii got the nod ahead of Calgary Stampeders running back Jon Cornish in voting conducted by the Football Reporters of Canada as well as the eight CFL head coaches.

The 2012 season has been a magical one for both Owens and the Argos.

Owens led the CFL in receiving (94 catches for 1,328 yards and six TDs) and return yards (2,510) and accumulated a league-record 3,863 all-purpose yards. Owens, affectionately dubbed the Flyin' Hawaiian, is a big reason why Toronto is making its first Grey Cup appearance since '04.

Cornish was named the CFL's top Canadian.

Edmonton Eskimos linebacker J.C. Sherritt won the top defensive player award. The other award winners were Hamilton receiver Chris Williams (top special-teams player); Lions offensive lineman Jovan Olafioye (outstanding lineman); and Winnipeg receiver Chris Matthews (top rookie).

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Six Grey Cup moments to remember

The championship game has created some wild and memorable moments. Here are six that went down in CFL history:

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Photos by The Canadian Press/Torstar News Service/Getty Images/Allsport

2002

Anthony Calvillo hit Ottawa native Pat Woodcock on a record 99-yard TD strike to lead Montreal past Edmonton 25-16 at Commonwealth Stadium. It was the Alouettes' first Grey Cup win since '77 and head coach Don Matthews' record-tying fifth CFL title.

1996

Edmonton receiver Eddie Brown made a sensational catch in snowy conditions against Toronto at Ivor Wynne Stadium. The ball went through Brown's hands and bounced up off his foot. Without missing a step, Brown gained control and went 64 yards for the touchdown. But the Argos won the Snow Bowl by a 43-37 score.

1994

Lui Passaglia's 38-yard field goal with no time showing gave the B.C. Lions a 26-23 win over Baltimore at BC Place. It was the first-ever CFL title game that featured a Canada-U.S. matchup. Passaglia had missed a 37-yard try with 1:02 remaining.

1991

Raghib (Rocket) Ismail had a then-record 87-yard kickoff return for a touchdown to lead Toronto past Calgary 36-21, bringing success to the Argos ownership group that consisted of John Candy, Wayne Gretzky and former L.A. Kings owner Bruce McNall. Argos quarterback Matt Dunigan played despite a broken collarbone.

1989

Dave Ridgway's 35-yard field goal with two seconds left earned Saskatchewan a wild 43-40 win over Hamilton. Ticats star Tony Champion, who had two touchdowns despite playing with broken ribs, made a brilliant backwards diving grab that tied the score 40-40.

1977

On a hard, icy field at Olympic Stadium, Alouettes players Tony Proudfoot and Wally Buono came up with the idea of using staples on the bottom of the teams' shoes to increase traction. The move worked, as Montreal waltzed past Edmonton 41-6.

Detroit Lions head coach Jim Schwartz, left, talks with NFL official Jerry Bergman during a disputed play against the Houston Texans in Detroit on Thursday. Because Schwartz threw the flag on a disputed touchdown play, the play could not be reviewed. The Texans won the game in overtime 34-31. LEON HALIP/GETTY IMAGES

Schwartz sees red in tough overtime loss

CFL. Lions coach makes costly mistake in throwing challenge flag

Jim Schwartz threw a challenge flag when he didn't need to and the Houston Texans made him regret it.

Shayne Graham's 32-yard field goal with 2:21 left in overtime lifted Houston to a 34-31 win over the Detroit Lions on Thursday after their coach broke an NFL rule by attempting to challenge a scoring play.

"Obviously that's a big break in the game for us," Houston coach Gary Kubiak said. "But I think you make your breaks when you work your tail off."

Detroit kicker Jason Hanson had a chance to get Schwartz off the hook, but his 47-yard field-goal attempt on the fifth possession of the extra period hit the right upright.

Lions defensive end Kyle Vanden Bosch did, too, on the previous possession when he couldn't intercept a pass Matt Schaub threw directly at him deep in Houston territory.

Detroit might've won in regulation if its coach didn't make a costly mistake.

Schwartz threw a red challenge flag when Houston's Justin Forsett scored on an 81-yard touchdown run in the third quarter after two Lions tackled him.

Replays showed Forsett's left knee and elbow hit the turf near midfield, and the automatic review that accompanies all scoring plays probably would have taken the TD off the board.

But NFL rules say that throwing the challenge flag on a scoring play negates the review — and is an unsportsmanlike conduct penalty to boot.

"There should be no blame on Schwartz or the coaches," Detroit defensive lineman Kyle Vanden Bosch said. "I mean, there's enough plays left out there, enough plays that we could have made. There were 70-plus minutes."

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Quoted

"I knew the rule — you can't challenge on a turnover or a scoring play — but I was so mad that I overreacted" Detroit Lions coach Jim Schwartz

Week 12

34	31
Texans	Lions

NFL. RG3 lights up the Cowboys on his return to the Lone Star State

Welcome back to Texas, RG3.

Robert Griffin III threw for 311 yards and four touchdowns, helping the Washington Redskins beat the Dallas Cowboys 38-31 on Thursday.

The Heisman Trophy winner from Baylor made the Cowboys look like an overmatched college team during the decisive second quarter in Griffin's first pro game in his home state. He got some help from his receivers, including a leaping grab and long run from Pierre Garcon and some nifty footwork in the end zone by Santana Moss.

Tony Romo lost for the first time in six starts on Thanksgiving, despite a career-high 441 yards and three second-half touchdowns, including the longest of his career — an 85-yarder to Dez Bryant. Romo ran in a two-point conversion after a TD throw to Felix Jones and threw another scoring pass to Bryant to help Dallas close to 35-28 with 8:24 remaining after the Cowboys trailed 28-3 at halftime.

"I thought we had a good chance," Romo said.

But Griffin answered — twice, actually. After Romo's long touchdown to Bryant, Griffin threw his fourth scoring pass, a 29-yarder to Niles Paul. The rookie became the first Redskins quarterback to throw four touchdown passes in consecutive games.

After the Cowboys pulled within a touchdown, Griffin drove into scoring position again, completing three passes for first downs and running 5 1/2 minutes off the clock before Kai Forbath made it 38-28 on a field goal. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Robert Griffin III on Thursday in Dallas. GETTY IMAGES

Lockout

Hamrlik breaks rank with call for union vote

The first true friction within the NHL Players' Association turned up rather quickly after the NHL had rejected the union's latest proposal.

It was Roman Hamrlik, a 38-year-old defenceman scheduled to earn $3.5 million US, who called out for a vote in a Czech newspaper. Hamrlik is one of a handful of NHLers — like Teemu Selanne and Martin Brodeur — who is going through his third lockout.

"There should be voting between players," Hamrlik reporters in Czech on Wednesday. "If half of players say let's play, then they should sign new CBA. If there is no season he (Donald Fehr) should leave and we will find someone new. Time is our enemy."

Hamrlik was taken to task by other NHLers for breaking ranks, including Erik Cole.

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MLB

Johnson open to extending stay

Josh Johnson would be open to signing a contract extension to stay in Toronto beyond the 2013 season, his agent says.

But the Blue Jays have not yet approached him about such a deal.

"It hasn't come up in any of our conversations," said Matt Sosnick, who represents the pitcher, one of the five players the Jays acquired in a blockbuster trade with the Miami Marlins last week.

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CIS football

McMaster, Laval to renew rivalry in Vanier Cup

The 47th Vanier Cup in Vancouver, which was played a year ago Sunday, saw the McMaster Marauders defeat the Laval Rouge et Or 41-38 in double overtime.

The 48th edition goes Friday (7:30 p.m., TSN) at Rogers Centre in Toronto, with the undefeated and No. 1 Marauders (11-0) facing No. 2 Laval (11-1).

The crowd is expected to top the record of 32,847 at the 1989 Vanier Cup.

"The only place we could (get) revenge is back here," said Laval head coach Glen Constantin.

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	8	2	.800	—
Miami	9	3	.750	—
Brooklyn	6	4	.600	2
Milwaukee	6	4	.600	2
Charlotte	6	4	.600	2
Atlanta	6	4	.600	2
Philadelphia	7	5	.583	2
Boston	6	6	.500	3
Indiana	6	7	.462	3 1/2
Chicago	5	6	.455	3 1/2
Orlando	4	7	.364	4 1/2
Cleveland	3	8	.273	5 1/2
Toronto	**3**	**9**	**.250**	**6**
Detroit	2	10	.167	7
Washington	0	10	.000	8

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
Memphis	8	2	.800	—
San Antonio	9	3	.750	—
Oklahoma City	9	3	.750	—
L.A. Clippers	8	3	.727	1/2
Golden State	7	5	.583	2
Dallas	7	6	.538	2 1/2
Denver	6	6	.500	3
Utah	6	6	.500	3
L.A. Lakers	6	6	.500	3
Minnesota	5	5	.500	3
Portland	5	6	.455	3 1/2
Houston	5	7	.417	4
Phoenix	5	7	.417	4
New Orleans	3	7	.300	5
Sacramento	3	8	.273	5 1/2

Division leaders ranked in top four positions with the best eight teams qualifying for playoffs

Wednesday's results
Indiana 115 New Orleans 107, OT
Cleveland 92 Philadelphia 83
Orlando 90 Detroit 74
Charlotte 98 **Toronto 97**
San Antonio 112 Boston 100
Miami 113 Milwaukee 106, OT
Oklahoma City 117 L.A. Clippers 111, OT
Atlanta 101 Washington 100, OT
Houston 93 Chicago 89
Denver 101 Minnesota 94
Dallas 114 New York 111
Phoenix 114 Portland 87
Sacramento 113 L.A. Lakers 97
Golden State 102 Brooklyn 93
Friday's games — All Times Eastern
Cleveland at Orlando, 7 p.m.
Atlanta at Charlotte, 7 p.m.
Oklahoma City at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Brooklyn, 7:30 p.m.
Toronto at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
San Antonio at Indiana, 8 p.m.
New York at Houston, 8 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Memphis, 8 p.m.
Golden State at Denver, 9 p.m.
Sacramento at Utah, 9 p.m.
New Orleans at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
Minnesota at Portland, 10 p.m.
Saturday, November 24
Oklahoma City at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Atlanta, 7 p.m.
Charlotte at Washington, 7 p.m.
Cleveland at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Chicago at Milwaukee, 9 p.m.
Utah at Sacramento, 10 p.m.
Minnesota at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.
Sunday, November 25
San Antonio at **Toronto**, 1 p.m.
Detroit at New York, 1 p.m.
Portland at Brooklyn, 3 p.m.
Phoenix at Philadelphia, 6 p.m.
Boston at Orlando, 6 p.m.
New Orleans at Denver, 8 p.m.

NBA SCORING LEADERS

	G	FG	FT	PTS	AVG
Bryant, LAL	11	102	67	289	26.3
Durant, Okl	11	93	69	270	24.5
Bryant, LAL	12	113	78	327	27.3
Durant, Okl	12	100	88	305	25.4
James, Mia	12	119	43	297	24.8
Harden, Hou	12	91	91	294	24.5
Anthony, NYK	10	86	54	241	24.1
Irving, Cle	10	82	47	229	22.9
Mayo, Dal	13	98	50	288	22.2
Westbrook, Okl	12	89	54	249	20.8
Aldridge, Por	11	89	45	223	20.3
Ellis, Mil	10	78	37	202	20.2
Batum, Por	11	77	35	221	20.1
Gay, Mem	10	77	36	200	20.0
Bosh, Mia	12	88	62	240	20.0
Crawford, LAC	11	71	50	217	19.7
Lillard, Por	11	75	38	214	19.5
Curry, GoS	12	78	49	231	19.3
Pierce, Bos	12	73	64	231	19.3
Howard, LAL	12	83	64	230	19.2
Derozan, Tor	**12**	**85**	**52**	**228**	**19.0**
Walker, Cha	10	70	43	188	18.8
Lopez, Bro	10	78	31	187	18.7
Holiday, Phi	12	84	35	221	18.4
Deng, Chi	11	77	38	200	18.2
Duncan, SA	12	83	51	218	18.2
Martin, Okl	12	61	59	214	17.8
Griffin, LAC	11	79	37	195	17.7
Williams, Bro	10	58	44	175	17.5
Bargnani, Tor	**12**	**76**	**38**	**209**	**17.4**
Monroe, Det	12	80	44	204	17.0
Jennings, Mil	10	66	21	169	16.9
Randolph, Mem	10	66	35	167	16.7
Sessions, Cha	10	54	50	163	16.3
Anderson, NO	10	63	7	163	16.3
West, Ind	13	86	38	210	16.2
Dragic, Pho	12	66	44	194	16.2
Matthews, Por	11	62	30	177	16.1
Lee, GoS	12	81	30	192	16.0

TRANSACTIONS

NFL

CAROLINA PANTHERS — Signed PK Graham Gano.
INDIANAPOLIS COLTS — Signed FB Dominique Jones.
JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS — Signed WR Carlton Mitchell. Signed RB Will Ta'ufo'ou to the practice squad. Released DE Ryan Davis from the practice squad.
NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS — Activated OL Markus Zusevics from the non-football-injury list. Released WR Greg Salas.
NEW ORLEANS SAINTS — Signed T Jermarcus Hardrick to the practice squad.
NEW YORK GIANTS — Signed T Selvish Capers from the practice squad and G Stephen Goodin to the practice squad.
NEW YORK JETS — Signed CB Donnie Fletcher, CB Darrin Walls and WR Jordan White from the practice squad.
ST. LOUIS RAMS — Signed LB Jabara Williams to the practice squad.
SAN DIEGO CHARGERS — Placed LS Mike Windt on injured reserve. Signed LS Kyle Nelson. Signed T Kevin Hughes to the practice squad.

HOCKEY

AMERICAN HOCKEY LEAGUE
HAMILTON BULLDOGS — Signed D Mike Commodore to a professional tryout contract.

GOLF

WORLD TOUR CHAMPIONSHIP

At Dubai, United Arab Emirates
Par 72
First Round

Luke Donald, England	33-32—65
Rory McIlory, Northern Ireland	35-31—66
Gonzalo Fernandez-Castano, Spain	36-30—66
Marc Warren, Scotland	36-30—66
Lee Westwood, England	35-32—67
Louis Oosthuizien, South Africa	33-34—67
Richie, Ramsay, Scotland	34-33—67
Martin Kaymer, Germany	35-32—67
Fredrik Andersson Hed, Sweden	34-33—67
Padraig Harrington, Ireland	35-32—67
Nicolas Colsaerts, Belgium	32-36—68
Justin Rose, England	34-34—68
Thorbjorn Olesen, Denmark	34-34—68
Charl Schwartzel, South Africa	34-34—68
Jamie Donaldson, Wales	32-36—68
Scott Jamieson, Scotland	34-34—68
Peter Lawrie, Ireland	34-34—68
Henrik Stenson, Sweden	34-34—68
Stephen Gallacher, Scotland	32-36—68
Thongchai Jaidee, Thailand	32-36—68
Peter Hanson, Sweden	34-35—69
Marcus Fraser, Australia	35-34—69
Branden Grace, South Africa	35-34—69
Joost Luiten, Netherlands	35-34—69
Simon Dyson, England	36-33—69
Raphael Jacquelin, France	34-35—69
Anders Hansen, Denmark	33-36—69
Rafael Cabrera-Bello, Spain	34-36—70
Alexander Noren, Sweden	37-33—70
Michael Hoey, Northern Ireland	33-37—70
Romain Wattel, France	38-32—70
Thomas Aiken, South Africa	36-34—70
Pablo Larrazabal, Spain	35-35—70
Paul Lawrie, Scotland	36-35—71
George Coetzee, South Africa	36-35—71
David Drysdale, Scotland	33-38—71
Victor Dubuisson, France	36-35—71
Chris Wood, England	37-34—71
Jeev Milkha Singh, India	34-37—71
Miguel Angle Jimenez, Spain	34-37—71
Danny Willett, England	36-35—71
Ian Poulter, England	35-37—72
Robert Rock England	37-35—72
Francesco Molinari, Italy	37-35—72
Bernd Wiesberger, Austria	36-36—72
Graeme McDowell, Northern Ireland	34-38—72
Soren Kjeldsen, Denmark	34-38—72
Jbe Kruger, South Africa	35-37—72
Matteo Manassero, Italy	37-36—73
Marcel Siem, Germany	36-37—73
David Lynn, England	39-34—73
Sergio Garcia, Spain	38-35—73
Richard Sterne, South Africa	40-34—74
Lee Slattery, England	38-36—74
Alejandro Canizares, Spain	37-37—74
Richard Finch, England	39-37—76

NBA

ATP WORLD TOUR MONEY LEADERS

Final

1. Novak Djokovic	$12,803,737
2. Roger Federer	$8,584,842
3. Andy Murray	$5,708,230
4. Rafael Nadal	$4,997,448
5. David Ferrer	$4,409,340
6. Juan Martin del Potro	$3,031,003
7. Tomas Berdych	$2,973,967
8. Jo-Wilfried Tsonga	$2,376,640
9. Janko Tipsarevic	$2,063,737
10. Richard Gasquet	$1,562,677
11. Juan Monaco	$1,358,704
12. John Isner	$1,354,332
13. Radek Stepanek	$1,345,031
14. Nicolas Almagro	$1,334,555
15. Milos Raonic	**$1,191,394**
Also:	
36. Daniel Nestor	**$696,713**

SOCCER

MLS CUP

Saturday, Dec. 1 — All Times Eastern
Houston vs. Los Angeles, 4:30 p.m.

EUROPA LEAGUE

THURSDAY'S RESULTS
Home teams listed first
FIRST ROUND
GROUP A
Anzhi Makhachkala 2 Udinese 0
Liverpool 2 Young Boys 2
GROUP B
Academica 1 Viktoria Plzen 1
Atletico Madrid 1 Hapoel Tel Aviv 0
GROUP C
Borussia Moenchengladbach 2 AEL Limassol 0
Marseille 0 Fenerbahce 1
GROUP D
Brugge 1 Bordeaux 2
Newcastle 1 Maritimo 1
GROUP E
Molde 1 Copenhagen 2
Steaua Bucharest 1 VfB Stuttgart 5
GROUP F
AIK Stockholm 1 Napoli 2
PSV Eindhoven 1 Dnipro Dnipropetrovsk 2
GROUP G
Basel 3 Sporting Lisbon 0
Videoton 0 Genk 1
GROUP H
Neftci 1 Partizan Belgrade 1
Rubin Kazan 3 Inter Milan 0
GROUP I
Kiryat Shmona vs. Athletic Bilbao, ppd.
Sparta Prague 1 Lyon 1
GROUP J
Lazio 0 Tottenham 0
Panathinaikos 1 Maribor 0
GROUP K
Metalist Kharkiv 2 Bayer Leverkusen 0
Rosenborg 3 Rapid Vienna 2
GROUP L
Hannover 0 Twente 0
Helsingborg 1 Levante 3

CFL

PLAYOFFS

DIVISION FINALS

Sunday's results

EAST DIVISION
Toronto 27 Montreal 20

WEST DIVISION
Calgary 34 B.C. 29

100TH GREY CUP

Sunday's game — All Times Eastern
At Toronto
Toronto vs. Calgary, 6 p.m.

CIS FOOTBALL

48TH VANIER CUP

At Toronto
Friday's game — All Times Eastern
Laval vs. McMaster, 7:30 p.m.

NFL

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New England	7	3	0	.700	358	225
N.Y. Jets	4	6	0	.400	202	241
Miami	4	6	0	.400	187	205
Buffalo	4	6	0	.400	230	299

SOUTH

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Houston	10	1	0	.909	327	211
Indianapolis	6	4	0	.600	210	260
Tennessee	4	6	0	.400	219	311
Jacksonville	1	9	0	.100	164	289

NORTH

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Baltimore	8	2	0	.800	267	206
Pittsburgh	6	4	0	.600	217	190
Cincinnati	5	5	0	.500	248	237
Cleveland	2	8	0	.200	189	234

WEST

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Denver	7	3	0	.700	301	212
San Diego	4	6	0	.400	232	221
Oakland	3	7	0	.300	208	322
Kansas City	1	9	0	.100	152	284

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
N.Y. Giants	6	4	0	.600	267	216
Washington	5	6	0	.455	295	285
Dallas	5	6	0	.455	242	262
Philadelphia	3	7	0	.300	162	252

SOUTH

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Atlanta	9	1	0	.900	270	193
Tampa Bay	6	4	0	.600	287	230
New Orleans	5	5	0	.500	287	273
Carolina	2	8	0	.200	184	243

NORTH

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Green Bay	7	3	0	.700	263	207
Chicago	7	3	0	.700	249	165
Minnesota	6	4	0	.600	238	221
Detroit	4	7	0	.364	267	280

WEST

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
San Francisco	7	2	1	.750	245	134
Seattle	6	4	0	.600	198	161
Arizona	4	6	0	.400	163	196
St. Louis	3	6	1	.350	174	237

WEEK 12

Thursday's results
Houston 34 Detroit 31, OT
Washington 38 Dallas 31
New England at N.Y. Jets
Sunday's games — All Times Eastern
Seattle at Miami, 1 p.m.
Oakland at Cincinnati, 1 p.m.
Buffalo at Indianapolis, 1 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Cleveland, 1 p.m.
Tennessee at Jacksonville, 1 p.m.
Denver at Kansas City, 1 p.m.
Minnesota at Chicago, 1 p.m.
Atlanta at Tampa Bay, 1 p.m.
Baltimore at San Diego, 4:05 p.m.
San Francisco at New Orleans, 4:25 p.m.
St. Louis at Arizona, 4:25 p.m.
Green Bay at N.Y. Giants, 8:20 p.m.
Monday, November 26
Carolina at Philadelphia, 8:30 p.m.

AHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OTL	SOL	GF	GA	Pt
Manchester	15	8	6	0	1	40	33	17
Worcester	15	7	6	1	1	40	46	16
St. John's	17	8	9	0	0	38	50	16
Portland	15	6	7	1	1	47	49	14
Providence	14	6	7	0	1	30	40	13

NORTHEAST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OTL	SOL	GF	GA	Pt
Springfield	14	10	2	0	2	49	23	22
Bridgeport	15	10	5	0	0	50	44	20
Adirondack	15	7	8	0	0	39	45	14
Connecticut	14	6	7	1	0	43	48	13
Albany	13	4	5	0	4	30	35	12

EAST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OTL	SOL	GF	GA	Pt
Syracuse	14	10	2	1	1	54	38	22
Binghamton	14	8	4	1	1	37	36	18
W-B/Scranton	16	9	7	0	0	41	35	18
Norfolk	15	7	8	0	0	45	51	14
Hershey	16	6	9	1	0	39	48	13

Thursday's result
Binghamton 3 Toronto 2
Wednesday's results
W-B/Scranton 4 Hershey 0
Bridgeport 1 Adirondack 5
Charlotte 5 Norfolk 2
Hamilton 2 St. John's 1
Peoria 4 Rockford 5
Oklahoma City 6 Texas 4
Friday's games — All Times Eastern
Springfield at Portland, 7 p.m.
Norfolk at Adirondack, 7 p.m.
Worcester at Manchester, 7 p.m.
Connecticut at Bridgeport, 7 p.m.
Chicago at Grand Rapids, 7 p.m.
Albany at Rochester, 7:05 p.m.
Rockford at Lake Erie, 7:30 p.m.
Binghamton at Syracuse, 7:30 p.m.
Milwaukee at Peoria, 8:05 p.m.
Abbotsford at Texas, 8:30 p.m.
Houston at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.

WESTERN CONFERENCE

NORTH DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OTL	SOL	GF	GA	Pt
Abbotsford	15	10	2	1	2	45	27	23
Toronto	16	9	6	0	1	55	46	19
Lake Erie	16	9	6	1	0	51	48	19
Rochester	15	8	6	1	0	53	46	17
Hamilton	15	6	7	1	1	33	48	14

MIDWEST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OTL	SOL	GF	GA	Pt
Grand Rapids	14	8	4	1	1	52	46	18
Chicago	15	8	5	2	0	43	46	18
Rockford	16	7	8	0	1	48	52	15
Milwaukee	15	6	8	1	0	40	46	13
Peoria	16	5	8	2	1	37	58	13

SOUTH

	GP	W	L	OTL	SOL	GF	GA	Pt
Charlotte	17	12	3	0	2	63	41	26
Oklahoma City	16	9	5	1	1	51	49	20
Houston	16	7	6	1	2	56	52	17
Texas	14	6	7	0	1	32	43	13
San Antonio	14	4	8	0	2	33	45	10

Horoscopes

♈ Aries
March 21 - April 20
Mars, your ruler, is at odds with Uranus, planet of surprises, so expect something surprising to happen. Whatever it may be, try not to overreact. You don't want to make a difficult situation even worse.

♉ Taurus
April 21 - May 21
Let everyone know what you can do today. Blow your own trumpet. The fact of the matter is there are few who can match you for energy or excellence. You have a right to be pleased with yourself.

♊ Gemini
May 22 - June 21
There is a danger today that you will act too quickly and make a silly mistake, which could set back your plans by weeks or even months. Check all facts and figures for yourself. Don't be too trusting.

♋ Cancer
June 22 - July 23
A partnership problem will only be resolved if you resolve to work for a solution that all sides find fair. It does not matter if you are right and they are wrong, it matters only that everyone is happy.

♌ Leo
July 24 - Aug. 23
Mars in the wellbeing area of your chart warns that you must know your limits. Don't push too hard or too fast today, or you may need to spend tomorrow and the weekend recovering from your exertions.

♍ Virgo
Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
At some point today, you will have to decide to push ahead with a project without the help of those you had previously counted on. But that's Ok. You don't need them. You're quite capable of getting it done yourself.

♎ Libra
Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
Disputes of one kind or another are likely today but that's fine. The air has to be cleared every once in a while and now is as good a time as any. As always, your sense of fair play will see you through.

♏ Scorpio
Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
Don't let anyone talk you out of what you are planning to do. They may say they are trying to save you from disaster but the truth is they don't want to see you succeed. It's called envy. Push on.

♐ Sagittarius
Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
There is no point in trying to convince a friend that your way of doing things is best, even though it clearly is, because they don't want to believe you. You will have to do it alone and you'll do better that way.

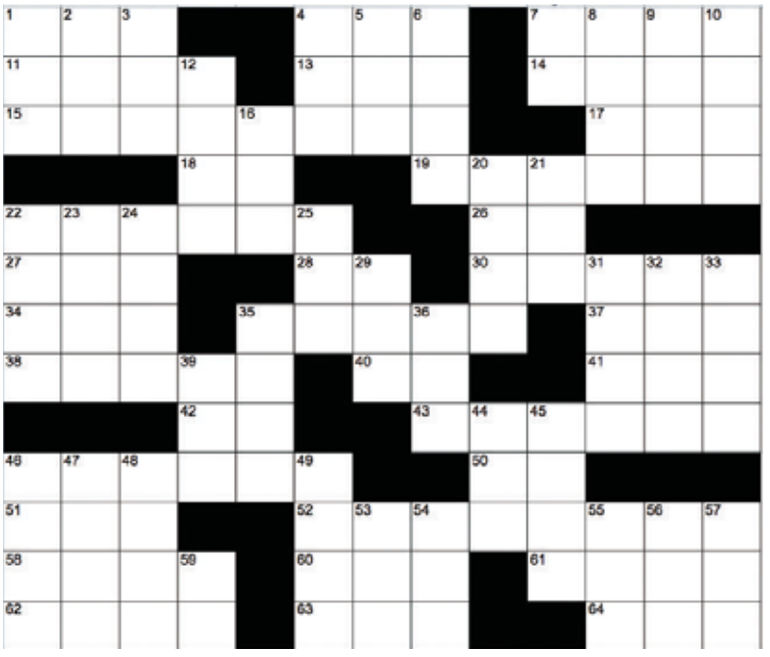
♑ Capricorn
Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
You need to sit down and draw up a list of priorities. If you don't, you will waste a great deal of time and energy on matters that are of no real importance. Your time is precious. Don't waste it.

♒ Aquarius
Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
Why are you convinced that others want to do you harm? Why do you think you have secret enemies? It's not true. It's just your mind playing tricks on you, so be positive and act as if everyone is your friend.

♓ Pisces
Feb. 20 - March 20
It's time to take action. For too long you have been sitting around planning what you are going to do some day. But that day may never come unless you get out and about and make things happen. Do it now. SALLY BROMPTON

Crossword

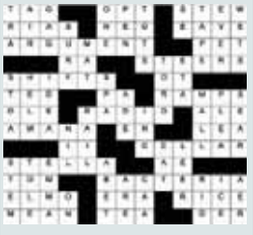
BY BETTY MARTIN



Across
1. Actor Aykroyd
4. Craze
7. Boxing term
11. Operatic solo
13. Inlet
14. Heavenly crown
15. Pocketbook
17. — the season
18. Gone with the Wind actress Olivia – Havilland
19. Candies
22. Steps
26. Plural suffix
27. Royal Ontario Museum (abbr.)
28. Deal – No Deal
30. Witches magic
34. Target
35. Thing of value
37. Foot digit
38. Braid
40. Poet Eliot
41. Baby
42. Talk show host of past (init.)
43. Halloween candies
46. Naps
50. Over achiever (abbr.)
51. Buddy
52. Bring this at mealtime
58. Used in paintings
60. Glee actress — Michele
61. Shoo
62. London bus
63. Sea eagle
64. Time frame

Down
1. Touch up lightly
2. Entourage role
3. Zero
4. To and —
5. Sickly
6. My Two —
7. Saint Helena internet country code
8. Hors D'Oeuvre served with crackers
9. Aglow
10. David Schwimmer in Friends
12. M*A*S*H actor
16. FBI agent
20. East Meets —
21. Extra Sensory Perception (abbr.)
22. Ensnare
23. Vex
24. Actress Thompson of "Nanny McPhee"
25. Distress signal
29. Letters between Q and U
31. Singer James
32. Robbers getaway
33. — Make a Deal
35. Apex
36. Superlative ending
39. Anger
44. Eggs
45. Food Network Canada's: Good —
46. See — Run
47. Den
48. Jazz great Fitzgerald
49. Store mark-down
53. Apiece (abbr.)
54. Kitchen utensil
55. Rapper: — T
56. Pavement goo
57. Airport information
59. Size before Med. and Lg.

Yesterday's Crossword



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Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's Sudoku

2	3	4	6	7	5	1	9	8
7	8	1	9	4	2	5	6	3
9	6	5	1	8	3	4	2	7
4	5	3	8	6	9	2	7	1
8	9	6	2	1	7	3	4	5
1	2	7	3	5	4	6	8	9
3	4	2	5	9	8	7	1	6
5	1	9	7	2	6	8	3	4
6	7	8	4	3	1	9	5	2

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